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#### SUMMARY

The influence of systematic variations of chemical composition on rupture properties at 1500° F was determined for 62 modifications of a basic alloy containing 0.15 percent carbon, 1.7 percent manganese, 0.5 percent silicon, 20 percent chromium, 20 percent nickel, 20 percent cobalt, 3 percent molybdenum, 2 percent tungsten, 1 percent columbium, 0.12 percent nitrogen, and the balance iron. These modifications included individual variations of each of 10 elements present and simultaneous variations of molybdenum, tungsten, and columbium. All specimens were forged to bar stock, solution-treated at 2200° F for 1 hour, and aged at 1400° F for 24 hours using procedures to minimize effects of prior history. The rupture strengths for 100 hours and at least extrapolated values to 1000 hours were obtained. The results of a similar study at 1200° F were previously reported in NACA Report 1058.

All of the elements can be varied individually between quite wide limits without significantly changing the rupture properties. This feature of the results could be partially responsible for the difficulty of correlating chemical composition with properties at high temperatures from data in the literature. There was no evidence to indicate that composition variation within usual commercial limits contributes materially to scatter bands in properties.

Carbon could be increased to about 0.40 percent with little change in strength although elongation in the rupture test would be greatly reduced. Increased silicon would be detrimental to strength. The amount of carbon and manganese must be above minimum values to avoid low strength and low elongation, respectively. Alloys with 10 percent of nickel or cobalt have properties similar to those of the basic alloy. Reduction of chromium, molybdenum, tungsten, or columbium below the values in the basic alloy would be detrimental to strength. Further increases are of no benefit and in the case of columbium are detrimental. Alloys containing about 8 percent of molybdenum plus tungsten without the presence of columbium would be as strong as the basic alloy. Alloys

without columbium, however, would have low elongations after fracture in 100 hours while all columbium-bearing alloys would have higher elongations except in the presence of increased carbon.

From a fundamental viewpoint, little could be deduced regarding the mechanism by which composition affects rupture test properties. Creep resistance had a greater effect on rupture strength than elongation to fracture, although there was a definite increase in rupture strength from increased elongation at constant creep strength. The data suggest that a complex interrelation exists between the effects of carbon, molybdenum, tungsten, and columbium and creep resistance. The high elongation of the alloys containing columbium appeared to be due to its grain-refining power and suppression of precipitation in grain boundaries.

The results were similar to those previously obtained at 1200° F, except that a suppression of strengthening from molybdenum and tungsten by columbium at 1500° F was not so evident at the lower temperature. The continued increase in rupture strength observed at 1200° F by increasing chromium to 30 percent was not evident at 1500° F.

There are a number of limitations to the results. Particularly important was the lack of consideration of the effects of compositional variations on fabricating characteristics and the other general properties which are as essential as strength at high temperatures.

# INTRODUCTION

The exact influence of chemical composition on the properties of heat-resistant alloys at high temperatures is not clear from published data. Consistent correlations of properties to composition cannot be made. For this reason some uncertainty exists regarding restrictions on composition limits in commercial practice and the fundamental mechanisms by which composition influences properties. For these reasons an investigation was initiated for the purpose of providing systematic data for compositional variations in forged alloys stemming from a nominal composition of 20 percent chromium, 20 percent nickel, 20 percent cobalt, 3 percent molybdenum, 2 percent tungsten, and 1 percent columbium. Stress-rupture tests at 1200° and 1500° F were used to evaluate strength at high temperatures. A previous report (reference 1) presented the results from the tests at 1200° F and the present report extends the data to 1500° F.

The procedures used were selected to provide results as independent as possible of other effects known to influence properties of such alloys at high temperatures and to clarify, or at least to provide the background

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necessary for clarifying, the fundamental mechanisms by which composition controls properties. The investigation was intended to establish general principles which could be extended to all alloys rather than to describe specifically the particular alloys used for experimental purposes.

The properties of alloys, of the type under consideration, at high temperatures are not a function of composition alone. Whenever such alloys are used or tested at high temperatures, the results are also a function of the conditions of preparation since melting practice, methods of working the metal to finished form, and final heat treatments appear to be interrelated to compositional effects. Thus, even when compositional effects and final heat treatments are carefully controlled, the results are almost invariably still subject to the prior-history effects. The situation is further complicated by the relative properties depending on the temperature, stress, total deformation, and time period involved in evaluation of properties.

The alloys tested were prepared using procedures intended to minimize prior-history effects. Care was used to keep melting and hot-working conditions constant. The final heat treatment was a solution treatment at 2200° F for 1 hour followed by aging at 1400° F for 24 hours. This treatment was known to minimize prior-history effects for the base alloy. Other treatments were not used because the testing program required for a systematic investigation involving prior-history effects would be prohibitively large.

In undertaking the investigation it was recognized that there was little chance of developing new compositions having properties outstandingly better than those available in commercial alloys. The thorough covering of compositional effects on an empirical basis by both industry and governmental agencies in this country and abroad leaves little chance of such developments. The investigation was intended rather to determine the contribution of composition variation to the substantial scatter bands in properties of such alloys; to indicate the properties obtainable from "leaner" alloys which may be desirable from strategicalloy or cost considerations; and to determine the efficiency of the various alloying conditions as a possible guide for specifications.

The work was conducted by the Engineering Research Institute of the University of Michigan under the sponsorship and with the financial assistance of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics as part of an investigation of the fundamental metallurgy of heat-resisting alloys used in propulsion systems for aircraft.

#### PROCEDURE

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The influence of composition was evaluated on 62 modifications of this alloy. The variations of each element individually were:

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Cr, percent		•		•		•	•	•		•	•	•	•		•	•	•			•		•		•	•	10	, 30	ı
Ni, percent	•	•			•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•			•	•_	•				•			0,	10	, 30	ı
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In addition, Mo, W, and Cb were varied simultaneously in steps of 2 percent from 0 to 4 percent. The amount of Fe compensated for variation in total alloy content in all of the alloy modifications.

Each alloy was analyzed chemically for the element varied. In addition, complete analyses were made for each heat until satisfactory evidence of reproducible composition was obtained. Thereafter the composition was checked only occasionally.

Considerable care was used to keep the alloy preparation uniform for each alloy as is described in detail in reference 1. In brief the alloys were melted in an induction furnace as 9-pound heats using Armco iron and commercial ferroalloys as melting stock and calcium silicide as a final deoxidizer. The ingots were hammer forged between 2200° and 1800° F to 0.45-inch rounds using swaging dies for reductions from 1-inch rounds on down. Prior to machining the stock into rupture specimens, all bars were solution-treated for 1 hour at 2200° F, water-quenched,

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and then aged for 24 hours at 1400° F in order to minimize the effects of prior history.

Rupture tests at 1500° F were made on specimens 0.250 inch in diameter with a 1-inch gage length machined from the heat-treated bar stock. The tests were conducted in individual stationary units with the load applied by a simple beam acting through a system of knife edges. Usually three or four tests at various stresses were made on each alloy and were of sufficient duration to establish the 100-hour rupture strengths and to estimate the 1000-hour rupture strengths. Time-elongation data were taken during the rupture tests by the drop-of-the-beam method and in the case of many of the longer time tests by means of modified Martens type extensometers with a sensitivity of 0.00005 inch per inch.

Metallographic examinations were made on all of the longest-time rupture specimens after testing at 1500° F. All metallographic specimens were electrolytically etched in 10 percent chromic acid.

Even though care was exercised to maintain all phases of alloy preparation and testing constant, it was recognized that some variation from heat to heat was inevitable. Rupture tests were made on four separate heats of the basic alloy to indicate the reproducibility. The range of values thus obtained was used to indicate significant variations in properties due to changes in chemical composition.

#### RESULTS

The actual compositions of the alloys obtained by chemical analysis are shown in table I. In general, the actual analyses agreed as closely as could be expected with the intended compositions. In those cases where actual analyses were not made, table I was left blank, although the blanks signify that the composition was intended to be that of the basic alloy. Check analyses from time to time indicated this assumption to be valid.

The reproducibility in rupture properties of the four heats of the basic alloy is summarized by the data for stress against rupture time in figure 1. These results indicate that the stress for rupture in 100 hours would have to vary more than 2500 psi in order to be significant of a real effect from composition. The corresponding value for rupture in 1000 hours was about 1500 psi. Figure 2 shows the range in minimum creep rates obtained during rupture testing of the four basic heats. This figure thus indicates the range which must be exceeded before the effect of composition on creep resistance under rupture test conditions can be considered significant.

The results of the rupture tests are given in table II. In addition to the usual data from rupture tests this table includes the minimum creep rates measured from the time-elongation curves of the rupture tests. The stresses for rupture in 100 and 1000 hours indicated by curves of stress against rupture time are shown in table II, although the actual curves are not included in the report. The stresses for rupture in 1000 hours were considered as extrapolated when the longestduration test was less than 500 hours. Double-logarithmic curves of stress and minimum creep rate were plotted to obtain the stresses for creep rates of 0.01 and 0.1 percent per hour given in table II. These two values together with the creep rate at 13,000 psi were included to determine if composition was affecting rupture strength by increasing creep resistance under rupture testing conditions. These creep "strengths" together with the total elongation to fracture are considered to be a measure of the two mechanisms by which composition changed rupture strength.

The influence on rupture test properties of the systematic variations in composition for the individual elements is shown by figures 3 to 12. The results from simultaneous variations of Mo, W, and Cb are shown by figures 13 to 21. Summaries of the results are incorporated in figures 22 to 24. The significant features of these figures are outlined in the following sections. In the analysis of the results, only those variations outside the ranges for the basic alloy were considered significant, although in many cases the uniform trend in properties with changes in composition suggests that more significance than that is warranted for the data.

#### Carbon

Rupture strength was increased by C up to 0.40 percent (see fig. 3). Further increase resulted in a significant decrease in strength. Low C was detrimental to and increased C beneficial to the 1000-hour rupture strength.

Additions of C increased rupture strength by increasing creep resistance. This was sufficient to offset a pronounced decrease in total elongation to fracture with increasing C content.

#### Nitrogen

Alloys varying in N content from 0.004 to 0.18 percent all had rupture strengths within the band for the basic alloy (see fig. 4). The elongation at fracture of the two extremes, however, was significantly higher. It appears that for N contents less than about 0.05 percent low creep resistance was partially offset by increased elongation to fracture which kept the rupture strength up.

#### Manganese

Figure 5 shows that Mn variations from 0 to 2.5 percent had little significant effect on rupture properties. When the Mn was below 0.5 percent the elongation to fracture tended to be low and the creep resistance high.

#### Silicon

Increasing the Si from 0.5 to 1.6 percent progressively and significantly lowered rupture strength (see fig. 6). The lowering of rupture strength was due primarily to decreased creep resistance.

#### Chromium

A 10-percent-Cr alloy had significantly lower rupture strength than that of the basic alloy as the result of lowered creep resistance (see fig. 7). There did not appear to be a significant difference in rupture strength between the basic alloy and the 30-percent-Cr modification.

#### Nickel

The data for Ni variations from 0 to 30 percent (see fig. 8) indicated a maximum strength for about 10 percent. The Ni-free alloy had definitely inferior strength while the 10-percent-Ni alloy was very close to being significantly better than the basic alloy. Both creep resistance and elongation to fracture varied in the same manner as rupture strength.

#### Cobalt

There was no difference between the 10- and 20-percent-Co alloys (see fig. 9). The Co-free and the 32-percent-Co alloys, however, had definitely inferior strengths.

# Molybdenum

Rupture strength and creep resistance increased slightly with Mo additions up to 3 percent (see fig. 10). Alloys with less than 3 percent of Mo appeared to have slightly, although significantly, lower strength.

#### Tungsten

Additions of W had effects similar to those of Mo (see fig. 11). Alloys with less than the 2 percent of W of the basic alloy were definitely inferior. Further additions of W did not produce a significant increase in strength.

#### Columbium

The Cb-free alloy had significantly lower strength and ductility than the basic alloy (see fig. 12). Increasing Cb above the 1 percent of the basic alloy reduced rupture strength somewhat and creep resistance quite markedly. The reduction of creep resistance was offset by higher elongation in the high-Cb heats, however, so that the rupture strengths tended to stay near those of the basic alloy.

Simultaneous Variations in Molybdenum, Tungsten, and Columbium

The influence on the 100-hour rupture strength of varying Mo with constant combinations of W and Cb is shown by figure 13. The increase in strength was marked and progressive for the Cb-free combinations. The W-free alloys were also improved, but to a lesser extent. Combinations of W and Cb were benefited by the addition of 2 percent Mo and in some cases by 4 percent although the degree of improvement was less than for the previously mentioned combinations. It is significant that additions of up to 4 percent Mo were never detrimental. None of the alloys had better strength than the basic 3Mo-2W-1Cb alloy.

The same data are rearranged in figure 14 to show W as the variable. The general pattern of the influence of W was similar to that of Mo except that the amount of increase for a given addition was less.

The influence of Cb, however, was markedly different from either Mo or W as is shown by figure 15. Additions of 2 percent Cb markedly increased rupture strength but 4 percent was detrimental. The alloys with 1-percent-Cb additions suggest that 1 percent would be sufficient to obtain the maximum benefit and that perhaps some of the other alloys would have had higher strengths than those shown with less than 2 percent Cb.

It will be noted that, of all the Cb-free modifications tested, only the 4Mo-4W alloy had strengths equal to those of the basic 3Mo-2W-1Cb alloy.

The accumulative effect of alloy additions on rupture strength is shown by figures 16, 17, and 18. Little further increase results from

Mo or W additions when the total alloy content exceeds 6 to 8 percent. Additions of Cb of 1 or 2 percent raise the strength to a pronounced extent for alloys having less than 8 percent Mo or W. Further additions of Cb are detrimental regardless of the total alloy content.

The data previously discussed have been rearranged in figure 19 to provide a simultaneous comparison of both rupture strength and elongation at 100 hours. There are three sets of curves at each of three alloy levels: each element varied alone, each element varied in the presence of 2 percent of the other two elements, and in the presence of 4 percent of the two elements. It shows:

- (1) The strength of alloys with Mo, W, or Cb added alone was inferior
- (2) The Cb-free alloys had low elongation or conversely the elongation increased pronouncedly when Cb was added
- (3) Additions of Mo in the presence of Cb and W resulted in a further increase in elongation while W in the presence of Mo and Cb slightly reduced elongation
- (4) All of the alloys containing 2 or 4 percent Cb, except the OMo-OW-2Cb and OMo-2W-2Cb modifications, had more elongation at fracture than the basic alloy

The influence of variations of Mo, W, and Cb on the stress for rupture in 1000 hours (see fig. 20) was, in general, similar to that for rupture in 100 hours. There was some change in relative strengths for the higher alloy modifications and more alloys compared favorably with the basic alloy.

The creep resistance of the alloys with simultaneous additions of Mo, W, and Cb (see fig. 21) indicated that Mo and W additions increased rupture strength by increasing creep resistance. Additions of Cb on the other hand apparently did not increase creep resistance except in those alloys in which Mo and W were absent. This latter observation is not strictly correct because reference to table II shows that the addition of 2 percent of Cb increased the creep resistance of alloys containing 2 or 4 percent of Mo or W alone. As figure 21 shows, however, 2 or 4 percent of Cb was detrimental to the 2Mo-2W and 4Mo-4W alloys. This appears somewhat at variance with the results of changing Cb in the basic alloy where a substantial increase in creep resistance resulted from addition of I percent of Cb to the 3Mo-2W combination. In this alloy, however, 2 percent of Cb was detrimental to creep resistance. It is therefore suggested that a 1-percent addition of Cb would show a substantial improvement in both creep resistance and rupture strength for the alloys involved in the simultaneous-variation series.

Summarized Effects of Composition on Rupture Test Properties

The effects of individual variations of the elements in the basic alloy on rupture strength and elongation are summarized in figure 22. The stresses for rupture in 100 and 1000 hours resulting from simultaneous variation of Mo, W, and Cb are summarized by figures 23 and 24, respectively. Elongation was omitted in the latter summary inasmuch as those alloys without Cb had low elongation and all containing Cb had high elongation.

The data for the individual variations were presented in groups according to the percentages present in the alloys. The effects of simultaneous variations were summarized by combining Mo and W as the independent variable because the two elements had similar and additive effects. Average curves were drawn through the data for the various Cb contents studied. This procedure may not be correct in detail in that the effect of Mo and W may be different. The trends, however, are shown by the curves and probably represent the reproducibility of the properties from heat to heat.

# MICROSTRUCTURAL EFFECTS OF COMPOSITION VARIATION

The original microstructures were examined in detail for reference 1 to help explain the effects of composition on rupture properties at 1200° F. In this investigation the examination was extended to include the structures of the specimens from the most-prolonged tests at 1500° F.

When tested at 1200° F there was little change in structure in most alloys from that produced by the original solution and aging treatment. After testing at 1500° F, however, the general trend was for the precipitate particles in both the grain boundaries and matrix to be larger. The fractures tended to be more intergranular than at 1200° F in those alloys which did not have brittle-type fractures. These general effects are shown by the structures of the basic alloy in figure 25.

The following discussions briefly summarize the structural effects of the various compositional changes as related to the rupture properties.

#### Carbon

Increasing C increased the amount of insoluble constituent present after solution-treating and the amount of random precipitate which formed on aging. The grain sizes of alloys up to 0.40 percent C were about A.S.T.M number 5 while the 0.60-percent-C alloy had a grain size

of 8. In addition, there were rather numerous large particles of a new constituent which formed on aging the 0.60-percent-C alloy. The structures of the lower-C heats were not substantially altered by testing at 1500° F (see fig. 26). After testing only one type of large particles was present in the 0.60-percent-C material which was distinguished by its ease of etching in comparison with that of the original constituents.

## Nitrogen, Manganese, and Silicon

There were no apparent microstructural effects from the variations in N, Mn, or Si either before or after testing at 1500° F.

## Chromium

The main difference between the basic alloy (20 percent Cr) and the 10-percent-Cr alloy was the much smaller amount of precipitates in the 10-percent-Cr material. There were, however, substantial differences between the 20- and 30-percent-Cr alloys (see figs. 25 and 27) after rupture testing at 1500° F. As heat-treated, the 30-percent-Cr alloy exhibited a large amount of fine matrix precipitate arranged on crystallographic planes. After testing at 1500° F a large amount of new phase had formed which exhibited all the metallographic characteristics of one of the forms of sigma phase.

## Nickel

Alloys containing 10 and 30 percent Ni were similar to the basic alloy after heat treatment and after testing (see fig. 28). The Ni-free alloy, however, contained a considerable amount of delta ferrite as solution-treated which transformed to sigma phase on aging. During testing at 1500° F the grains of sigma phase broke up into angular sigma particles quite randomly distributed. A few small angular particles of an easily etched constituent believed to be sigma phase formed in the 10-percent-Ni alloy.

#### Cobalt

As heat-treated, the Co-free alloy had a good deal more general precipitation than the basic alloy. There was little difference between the basic alloy and the 10- or 32-percent alloys, except that segregated growth of extremely large grains had occurred in the 32-percent-Co alloy.

During testing at  $1200^{\circ}$  F a considerable amount of additional precipitation occurred in the Co-free alloy. The other alloys were not changed.

• At 1500° F, however, either the precipitation did not occur in the Co-free alloy or the particles agglomerated into a few large particles (see fig. 29). In addition, there were a few small angular particles of an easily etched constituent believed to be a form of sigma phase. A few of these were also present in the 10-percent-Co alloy.

## Molybdenum

Varying Mo from 0 to 7 percent in the heat-treated conditions didnot change the structure appreciably from that of the basic alloy. After testing at 1500° F the amount of precipitate present increased with Mo content as is shown by figure 30.

#### Tungsten

The effect of W on the microstructures was similar to that of Mo. After testing at-1500° F all of the W series were similar to the basic alloy except the 7-percent alloy (see fig. 31). In the latter alloy the precipitates were not so agglomerated and more grain boundary precipitate was present.

## Columbium

The omission of Cb from the basic alloy resulted in the grain size increasing from 5 to 1 by the A.S.T.M. rating. In addition, the insoluble constituents were practically eliminated and the aging precipitates accumulated on preferred planes within the grains. Increasing the Cb to 6 percent resulted in an increase of insoluble constituent and a further reduction in grain size to number 8 for the 4- and 6-percent———Cb alloys.

After testing at 1500° F the precipitates in the Cb-free alloy remained preferred, in contrast with the high-Cr alloy previously discussed. The precipitated particles were considerably larger than before testing (see fig. 32). The 6-percent-Cb alloy, however, underwent little change in microstructure except for the development of a considerable number of small easily etched "sigma" particles.

Simultaneous Variation of Molybdenum, Tungsten, and Columbium

The Cb-free alloys had comparatively large grain sizes and a slight amount of general but oriented precipitation in the heat-treated condition. Alloys carrying up to a total of 4 percent of Mo plus W had easily etched grain boundaries because of the formation of a considerable amount of

a fine, easily etched constituent during aging. Alloys having more than 4 percent of Mo plus W did not etch so readily at the grain boundaries.

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Additions of Cb resulted in the formation of increasing amounts of a globular constituent which could not be dissolved during solution treatment. The grain size was refined and the preferred orientation of aging precipitates was eliminated, the structures being similar to that of the basic alloy.

Increasing amounts of Mo or W in the presence of Cb increased the amount of general aging precipitate.

After testing at 1500° F, as is shown by figures 33 and 34, a large amount of general precipitation occurred in the Cb-free alloys. The precipitate present in the grain boundaries of the alloys with less than 4 percent of Mo plus W etched very easily and were similar to the easily etched phase in the 0.60-percent-C alloy after testing. In those with more Mo plus W the grain boundary constituents etched similarly to those in the matrix.

Those alloys containing Cb underwent some additional precipitation and agglomeration of the precipitated particles during testing at 1500° F. The 4Mo-4W-4Cb alloy developed small particles of the easily etched sigma phase. The Cb tended greatly to reduce the presence of grain boundary precipitates.

## Summary of Microstructural Studies

It is difficult to arrive at conclusive reasons from microstructural studies for the observed effects of alloy additions on the rupture properties. Apparently the improved ductility of the Cb-bearing alloys was due to the grain refinement and elimination of grain boundary precipitation by this addition. The presence of delta ferrite in the N-free alloy was accompanied by reduced strength as is the usual behavior when this occurs. Otherwise the evidence seems contradictory; for example:

- (1) The increase in C, Cr, Mo, or W was accompanied by increased precipitation. In each case there was an increase in rupture strength due to increased creep resistance, at least up to a limit. A further increase in rupture and creep strength, however, resulted with the addition of Cb to Cb-free alloys even though the amount of precipitation was reduced.
- (2) The almost complete alteration of the microstructure of the 30-percent-Cr modification during rupture testing at 1500° F, due to

the extensive formation of sigma phase throughout the matrix, did not significantly change the rupture or creep properties of this alloy modification.

(3) The formation during testing at 1500° F of relatively small amounts of a precipitate resembling sigma phase did not appear to alter the rupture and creep properties of the allow modifications in which this type of precipitate formed.

The microstructural studies of these alloy modifications indicate that more information is needed relating microstructures to high-temperature properties before a good correlation can be made between microstructure and rupture and creep properties.

#### DISCUSSION

The data need to be considered from the viewpoints of their limitations, ranges in composition before significant changes in properties result, the mechanisms by which composition probably affects properties, and their relation to the results at 1200° F bf reference 1.

## Limitations of Results

The main limitation of the data is the restriction to one solution-treated and aged condition. The probability that heat treatment should be adjusted to each individual analysis for either optimum properties or freedom from prior-history effects was not considered. Present experience with the variables affecting rupture properties, however, suggests that the heat-treatment limitation is not too severe. There may have been some variation in solution effect with composition as well as in the amount of precipitation during the aging treatment, but it is doubtful if these effects would be large. It is very probable that changing prior treatments uniformly would tend to show the effects to be uniformly superimposed on the properties measured in this investigation.

Further limitations of the data involve the ranges of compositions studied and the criteria of strength used to evaluate the high-temperature strength. Compositional effects shown are actually limited in that they do not involve simultaneous variations of all of the elements. The tests were limited to rather short-time rupture tests although the indicated relative effects of composition are quite likely to change if the stress level, total deformation, and time periods used as the criteria of strength were changed.

## Significance of Data

The results suggest that most of the elements could be allowed to vary over quite wide ranges without affecting the rupture strength significantly. This could be partially responsible for the difficulty of correlating chemical composition with properties at high temperatures from data in the literature. It is important, however, to recognize that the data do not indicate that all of the elements could simultaneously vary widely. This would require work to determine the influence of all of the elements being on the low and high sides simultaneously. The indication of possible variation over wide limits without sacrifice in properties is important, however, from strategic-alloy and cost considerations. Any such changes, however, would have to take into consideration the effects of the compositional changes on fabricating characteristics and other properties which are the over-all requirements for the successful use of an alloy. The results of this investigation. however, do suggest that the following changes might be useful in meeting specific problems:

- (1) The C content could be allowed to vary over a considerable range although higher C would undoubtedly increase fabrication problems and would be accompanied by lowered elongation in the rupture test.
- (2) A Ni content of less than 20 percent seems quite possible and might improve strength somewhat.
- (3) The Co could be reduced with little apparent loss in strength although this trend should probably be checked for the influence of Co variation on response to strain-hardening before acceptance. There is considerable evidence which suggests that Co is beneficial to the improvement and retention of strength by strain-hardening. This is important to the properties obtained with many commercial treatments.
- (4) Even better properties might result by decreasing the Cb content to less than 1 percent.

The comments in regard to the individual variation of the other elements involve a difficult viewpoint as evidenced by the following:

- (1) The elements N and Mn have little effect on rupture strength. Their control to close limits other than to avoid very small amounts apparently depends on other properties than strength at high temperatures.
  - (2) The Cr content needs to be close to a minimum of 20 percent.
- (3) The 3Mo-2W-1Cb combination of the basic alloy seems to be near the optimum combination. A decrease in either Mo or W would significantly weaken the alloy, but, on the other hand, no great advantage resulted from further increasing Mo or W while increasing Cb was actually detrimental.

Simultaneous variations of Mo, W, and Cb showed that equal rupture strengths to that of the basic alloy could be obtained without the use of Cb by increasing the Mo plus W content to about 8 percent. The Cb-free alloys, however, had comparatively low elongations to fracture and comparatively poor forgeability (see reference 1). The simultaneous variations bore out the indication that little would be gained by increasing Mo, W, or Cb above the 3:2:1 ratio of the basic alloy. •

The rather insensitive response of rupture strength to compositional changes indicates it is unlikely that normal variation of composition within usual commercial limits contributes significantly to scatter of data. The spread in properties for the basic heats in comparison with the compositional effects supports this view. The scatter bands observed in commercial production would therefore seem due to prior-history effects rather than compositional variation.

In analyzing the data it has been assumed that values had to be outside of the bands for the basic alloy to be significant although there is no way of knowing whether the individual values were at the middle or the extremes of the band for that composition. The generally consistent variation in properties with composition suggests that more reliance can be placed on the data than the band for the basic alloy suggests. Nevertheless, the reproducibility of properties for alloy modifications should be checked before too much reliance is placed on the data for any particular composition.

## Fundamental Effects of Composition

From the data of this investigation very little can be deduced regarding fundamental mechanisms by which composition changes properties. For instance:

- (1) Rupture strength is increased by Mo and W in proportion to the amount added in the absence of Cb particularly when considered on an atomic percent basis as in figure 35. This suggests that Mo and W increase strength by solid-solution strengthening (they had little effect on elongation). In the presence of Cb, however, their effect was greatly reduced and saturation was soon attained beyond which no further improvement was obtained. If solution of Mo or W was responsible for their increasing strength it seems difficult to understand their reduced effect in the presence of Cb.
- (2) The data indicate that no further increase in strength was obtained by increasing Cb beyond 1 percent. In view of the certain restricted solubility of Cb the improvement obtained from Cb seems rather large. This suggests some factor other than solid solubility is responsible for the effect of Cb. The effect of Cb could be accounted

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for on the basis of a combination of increased creep resistance from a limited solubility and the increase in elongation. This, however, does not explain the restriction of the strengthening effect from Mo and W in the presence of Cb.

- (3) A complex interrelation between C (and N), Mo, W, and Cb is suggested by the data. This has some support from the increased creep resistance accompanying increased C in the basic alloy. The stabilization of C (and N) by Cb perhaps restricts the strengthening from solid solution of Mo and W in the same manner as restriction of C in the basic alloy reduced strength. There seems to be little to support a saturation effect being rapidly attained in the presence of Cb because of its stabilization of C which, in turn, improved the efficiency of Mo and W additions. A further possibility exists that Mo, W, and Cb influence some other strengthening reaction such as might be due to an effect of Cr.
- (4) Additions of Mo and W mainly increased rupture strength by increasing creep resistance. Additions of 1 or 2 percent of Cb increased both creep resistance and elongation to fracture and therefore increased rupture strength by both mechanisms. The 100-hour rupture strengths are plotted against a measure of the creep resistance in figure 36 with elongation to fracture as a parameter. The increase in rupture strength was directly proportional to the increase in creep resistance. The correlation of rupture strength with elongation is not so good although there is an unmistakable trend for increased rupture strength with increased elongation. Creep strength had a much greater effect than elongation.
- (5) The mechanism by which Cb so pronouncedly increased elongation to fracture was also uncertain. The refinement in grain size may have been a contributing factor, although it is doubtful that it is the real reason. It appears as if Cb acts by prevention of the development of brittle grain boundaries. A possible mechanism would involve its stabilization effect on C and N combined with a change in precipitation habits in the alloys due either to its presence in solution or to the insoluble precipitates accompanying its presence. The decrease in elongation accompanying increased C contents in the basic alloy supports the interrelation of Cb and C as being the responsible mechanism.
- (6) The role of aging during testing at 1500° F is not evident from this investigation. The aging data in reference 2 indicate that unquestionably there was considerable precipitation during testing of the type which results in a decrease in lattice parameter, an effect due to the removal of odd-size atoms from solution. Presumably these odd-size atoms would be largely Mo, W, and C with the added possibility of Cb if there was an appreciable amount in solution. Reference 2 also demonstrated that aging was accompanied by a decrease in creep resistance

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at 1200° F. A similar effect of aging has been found at 1500° F from data as yet unreported. It would seem, therefore, that aging during testing should have contributed to a decrease in rupture time during the tests.

There were several features of the microstructural changes during testing which should be considered in the fundamental mechanisms of compositional effects:

- (1) The highest-C heat fell off in strength. This was accompanied by a major modification of the carbides during testing. The possibility exists that this was due to reversion during testing to leaner-C-content carbides. This presumably would reduce the Mo and W in solution and thereby reduce creep resistance.
- (2) There was some slight evidence of a similar behavior in alloys containing more than 4 percent of W or Mo, although a similar-effect on strength was not evident. Changes in composition of the carbides during heat treatment and testing, however, may be a more significant factor than has yet been evident from the work to date.
- (3) There were no structural reasons evident to explain the detrimental effect of Si.
- (4) The alloy containing 30 percent Cr underwent a pronounced change in microstructure with practically no effect on rupture properties. The microstructure after testing at 1500° F indicated the presence of substantial amounts of sigma phase which is usually found to be quite weak at elevated temperatures.
- (5) The delta ferrite originally present in the Ni-free alloy also showed evidence of reversion to sigma phase during testing. In this case a relatively small amount of sigma phase was accompanied by a significantly lower strength. A similar behavior by the Co-free alloy without the presence of sigma phase, however, suggests the possibility that some other factor than the delta ferrite was responsible for the low strength of the Ni-free alloy, and that this factor operated in both alloys.
- (6) There were other major effects on rupture properties from compositional changes which could not be accounted for on the basis of microstructures.

Relative Effects of Composition at 12000 and 15000 F

Comparison of the general effects of composition on rupture properties at 1500° F with those reported in reference 1 leads to the following:

- (1) The general effect of C was the same at both temperatures except that at 1500° F increasing C was more detrimental to elongation and 0.60 percent of C caused a reduction in strength at 1500° F.
- (2) The relative effects of N, Mn, Si, and Ni were the same at both temperatures. Very low N, Mn, and Ni had lower relative strengths at 1500° F than at 1200° F. At both temperatures Si was detrimental to strength but did not increase elongation to fracture at 1500° F as it did at 1200° F.
- (3) At 1200° F there was the same increase in strength from 20 to 30 percent of Cr as from 10 to 20 percent. The improvement between 20 and 30 percent was not observed at 1500° F, however, and apparently the beneficial effect of precipitation hardening from the highest Cr content was not retained at 1500° F.
- (4) Whereas the data at 1500° F tended to show equal and maximum properties at both 10 and 20 percent of Co, no benefit from Co was observed at 1200° F until 20 percent was added.
- (5) Additions of Mo had the same general effect at both temperatures except that smaller amounts than the basic 3 percent were not so detrimental at 1500° F.
  - (6) At both temperatures W had the same general effects.
- (7) The general effects of Cb were the same at both temperatures except that increasing the amount beyond 1 percent was not detrimental to creep strength at 1200° F and did not increase the elongation so much as at 1500° F.
- (8) The effects of simultaneous variations of Mo, W, and Cb were very similar at both 1200° and 1500° F. The main differences were that less improvement resulted at 1500° F from the additions of Mo and W and a tendency to reach a saturation effect was noted at about 6 percent of Mo plus W at 1500° F. At 1200° F continued improvement resulted from further additions of Mo plus W so that a number of alloys had rupture strengths superior to that of the basic alloy. Additions of Cb of more than 1 or 2 percent were somewhat detrimental at 1500° F and had little effect at 1200° F.

It is possible the continued increase in strength from additions of Mo and W in the presence of Cb at 1200° F was associated with the little aging which occurred during tests at that temperature. The tendency for a saturation effect at 1500° F may have been related to the structural instability at the higher temperature.

## CONCLUSIONS

The influence of systematic variations of chemical composition on rupture properties at 1500° F was investigated for 62 modifications of a basic alloy containing chromium, nickel, cobalt, iron, molybdenum, tungsten, columbium, carbon, manganese, silicon, and nitrogen. These effects of composition apply only for variation of one element at a time. The effects of simultaneous variations were not studied except for molybdenum, tungsten, and columbium. The actual values for rupture properties apply only to the solution-treated and aged condition studied. It is anticipated that within limits the general effects of composition would apply for other systematically controlled treatments. The following conclusions may be drawn from this investigation:

- 1. The elements in the basic alloy can be varied individually over quite wide ranges without significantly affecting the rupture properties at 1500° F. Considerable reduction of nickel or cobalt could be tolerated without sacrifice in properties. Substantial reductions of chromium, molybdenum, or tungsten would cause some reduction in strength. Increased carbon up to 0.40 percent would not change rupture strength but would reduce elongation in the rupture test. Increased silicon reduces strength. Increased columbium would be somewhat detrimental to strength. Omission of columbium reduces strength except in the presence of increased amounts of molybdenum and tungsten. All columbium-free alloys have low elongation and large grain size.
- 2. The 3:2:1 combination of molybdenum, tungsten, and columbium in the basic alloy is the optimum combination of these elements. Lower strengths result from lesser amounts and no improvement from increased amounts. Equal rupture strength to that of the basic alloy can be obtained in columbium-free alloys by increasing the molybdenum plus tungsten to about 8 percent although elongation will be much lower.
- 3. There is little evidence to indicate that composition differences within the usual commercial limits contribute materially to scatter bands of properties observed in commercial production.
- 4. Very little can be deduced from the data regarding the fundamental mechanisms by which composition controls properties. Some relationship between carbon, molybdenum, tungsten, and columbium seems to be a

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controlling factor in strength. A saturation effect reduces improvement from molybdenum and tungsten in the presence of columbium but not in its absence. The increased elongation in the rupture test resulting from columbium additions appears to be due to its grain refinement, reduction of intergranular precipitation, and influence on general precipitation characteristics.

5. The results are similar to those at  $1200^{\circ}$  F presented in NACA Report 1058 except that increased chromium was not beneficial at  $1500^{\circ}$  F and the saturation effect for molybdenum and tungsten did not occur at  $1200^{\circ}$  F.

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TABLE I

#### CHEMICAL COMPOSITION OF EXPERIMENTAL ALLOYS

Alloy	Aim modification from basic alloy					Chemical c (perc	ent).	`			
	(percent)	С	Mn	81	Cr	Ni	Co	Мо	w	Съ	N
 b1 b2 b3 b4 b5	Basic analysis Basic Basic Basic Basic C(4 C	0.15 .25 .24 .25 .30 .55	1.7 1.54 1.62 1.68 1.87 1.58 1.78	0.5 .40 .53 .60 .74 .67	20 18.45 18.88 18.99 19.37 17.53 16.27	20 19.45 17.20 18.60 19.04 18.24 18.77	20 : 20.35 19.74 20.64 17.95 20.54 18.04	3 3.06 2.95 2.77 2.89 2.83 3.32	2 2.30 2.26 2.62 2.34 1.75 2.50	1.05 1.11 1.12 .96 1.00	0.12 .11 .12 .15 .12 .12
c7 c8 c10 c11 c12 d27	Basic Basic Basic Basic Basic Basic	0.16 , .14 .15 .16 .16	1.40 1.46 1.40 1.63 1.61	0.66 .41 .52 .77 .67	20.64 21.17 20.89 21.00 21.04	17.34 20.16 20.64 17.13 18.39	20.52 19.81 19.30 22.46 22.00	3.01 3.03 3.05 3.04 3.03	2.34 2.08 1.91 1.97 2.01	1.11 .96 1.03 1.08 1.15	0.15 .14 .17 .14 .14
e <sub>74</sub> e <sub>75</sub>	Easic . Basic .										
13 1 <sup>4</sup> 15 16 17	0.07 c .40 c .40 c .60 c .60 c	0.08 .36 .40 .57	1.80	0.37	20.03	20.84	19.42  18.92	3.12	2.10	1.09	
24 19 20 21 22	0.03 Mn .25 Mn .50 Mn 1.00 Mn 2.50 Mn	0.14 .15 .14 .12	0.03 .30 .50 1.04 2.58	0.38	20.07	20.70	19.82	2.99	2.02	1:13	
28 80	1.0 Si 1.5 Si	0.13		1.19							
51 52	10 Cr 30 Cr	0.14			10.18 30.51						
23 25 26	0 N1 10 N1 30 N1	0.15 · .16 .14				0.01 10.70 30.64					
29 30 31	0 Co 10 Co 30 Co	0.19 .14 .14	1.76	0.79	20.50	20.18	0.31 11.09 32.60	3.41	2.05	.1.11	
32 33 34 35 36	0 Mo 1 Mo 2 Mo 4 Mo 6 Mo	0.16 .16 .16 .13	1.76	0.75	20.46	20.52	21.59	0.20 1.00 2.34 4.99 6.99	2.02	1.06	0.15
37 38 39 40	0 W 1 W 4 W 6 W	0.14 .15 .14 .16	1.74	0.75	20.75	20.50	21.68	3.42	0.04 .82 4.66 7.13	1.02	0.15
47 48 49 <b>5</b> 0	0 съ 2 съ 4 съ 6 съ	0.14 .14 .14 .16	1.74	0.70	20.65	20.59	20.08	3.20	1.94	0.03 . 1.97 4.07 6.09	0.14
41 42 81	Low N 0.07 N .22 N	0.14 .15 .15									0.004 .08 .18

Avalues given only where actual chemical analyses were made; blank spaces indicate same aim value as that of basic alloy.

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bAlloys 1 to 6 were prepared to develop and standardize melting practice.

Calloys 7, 8, 10, 11, and 12 were prepared to determine control of properties with processing from heat to heat of the basic alloy.

dAlloy 27, aimed at low Si, resulted in the basic value.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm e}{\rm Deoxidation}$  practice was varied on alloys 74 and 75 of the basic analysis.

TABLE I.- Concluded

# CHEMICAL COMPOSITION OF EXPERIMENTAL ALLOYS

Alloy	from	odific basic percent	alloy				Chem	ical co (perco	ent)	tion			
	(1	percent	• )	С	Mn	Si	Cr	Ni	Со	Мо	W	Ср	N
	Mo	W	Съ										
43 44 45 46 53 54	0 0 Q 4 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 4	00000	0.12 .18 .14 .13 .13	1.72	0.74	20.22	20.62	20.09	.00 2.09 4.01	0.00 .00 .00 .00 2.05 3.97	0.00 .00 .00 .00	0.14
55 56 57 58	N4 N4	2 4 4	0 0 0	0.15 .13 .14 .13	1.71	0.72 	20.28	20.41	20.20	4.05 1.98	2.01 2.04 4.16 4.11	0.00 .00 .00	0.15  
59 60 61 62	ณ≄ ณ ณ	ณ ณ- <del>4</del> ณ	Q Q Q 4	0.16 .13 .15 .15	1.69	 o.8o	19.99	20.50	20.54	4.12 2.32	2.04 2.07 4.12 1.93	1.98	 0.14
63 64 65 66 67	ର ର ୬ ୬ ୬	0 0 0 0 4	24 24 4 4	0.11 .15 .13 .13	1.70	   0.71	20.18	20.36	20.12	2.32 4.02 3.96	.00		  0.17
77 68 69 70 71 72 73	0000000	0000404	1 24 2 2 4 4	0.15 .18 .14 .16 .17 .14	1.80	0.66	20.21	20.39	20.51	.00 .01 .02	0.00 .00 2.00 3.93 2.01 3.92	3.76 1.92 1.91 4.18	0.12
82 83 84	2 4 4	14 22 14	14 14 2	0.16 .13 .14	1.64	 0.74	 20.18	20.51	19.95	3.85	1.85	4.38 2.25	 0.17

aValues given only where actual chemical analyses were made; blank spaces indicate same aim value as that of basic alloy.

TABLE II

[Treatment: 2200° F, 1 hr, water-quenched; 1400°F, 24 hr, air-cooled]

Alloy	Alloy modification	Stress (psi)	time	Elongation in 1 in.	of area	Minimus creep rate		strength	Estimated 100-hr_rupture elongation		i) to cause tes of -	Minimum creep rate at 13,000 psi	
	(percent)	(101)	(hr)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent/hr)	100 hr	1000 hr	(percent in 1 in.)	0.01 percent/hr	0.1 percent/hr	(percent/hr)	
8	Basic	19,000 17,000 15,000 12,000 11,000	105 125 1446 1649	18 14 -15	20.3 17.6 13.8 1.0	0.056 .043 .0038	16,500	11,800	16	13,900	18,000	0.0056	
10	Basic	20,000 19,000 18,000 16,500 15,000 13,000 12,000	56 98 98 275 446 684 6 <sub>1537</sub>	27 19 19 17 6	47.0 37.8 32.7 20.3 23.2 4.8	.090 .015 .010 .0029	18,500	12,900	30	15,000	18,100	.0028	
15	Básic	19,000 17,000 14,000 12,000	53 106 365 904	26 15 15	3 <sup>1</sup> 4 30.0 16.0 16.8	.096 .0112 .0044	17,100	11,900	30	13,500	17,500	.0976	
27	Basic	18,000 15,000 13,500 12,000	58 160 424 1086	35 29 36	46.0 34.6 41.0 37.2	.050 .0165 .0068	16,500	12,000	32	12,800	16,400	.0120	
74	Basic, no deoxidation	20,000 18,000 15,000 14,000	53 130 317 515	41 46 28 15	32.7 48.9 42.1 14.4	.082 .023 .013	18-,400	12,500	43	13,400	- 18,500	.0078	<del></del>
75	Basic, Zr-Si-Fe decxident	20,000 18,000 15,000 13,000	55 106 416 837	45 88 29 20	48.1 42.3 34.4 25.4	.083 .012	18,400	12,500	· 28	14,700	´18,500	.0028	<u>**</u>
13	0.08 C	18,000 15,000 13,000	65 190 328	34 47 43	39.0 56.7 52	0.075 .0275	16,400	d10,700	38	11,400	15,500	0.0275	
15	-≱o ¢ °	18,000 16,500 15,000	89 182 407		11.0 5.6	.05 .0099 .005	17,900	d13,700	14	16,000	19,000	.00080	***************************************
16	.60 C /	18,000 15,000 12,000 10,000	48 113 494 1234	13 6 10 6	14,7 13.8 10.9 12.5	.192 .049 .0064	15,500	10,300	8	12,500	16,500	.0130	
24	О Мл	20,000 18,000 15,000 14,000 13,000	33 82 / 223 291 1008	6 8 5 21	10.2 5.6 5.6 25.2	0.0315 .012 .0046 .0041	17,000	13,000	-5	15,000	d20,000	0.001	
19		19,000 15,000 13,000 11,000 10,000	161 356 662 1324	16 8 5 6 5	9.4 5.5 4.0 4	.0018 .0018 -	16,000	10,300	12	14,500	d <sub>19</sub> ,500	.0046	
20	•	19,000 17,000 15,000 13,000 11,500	50 108 227 460 1186	16 9 11 10 7	13.8 8.6 10.9 8.7 8	.133 .049 .0185 .007	17,000	11,500	10	13,800	18,500	.007	i
ar -	· .	19,000 17,000 15,000 13,000 11,500	33 84 200 342 827	28 24 18 12 19	26.6 21.8 16.0 11.7 10.3	.111 .020 .014	16,400	11,200	20	13,200 .	17,200	.0095	
22		19,000 17,000 15,000 13,000	57 105 208 726	29 26 14 14	36.5 25.9 18.3 17.6	.083 .018 .005	17,100	12,400	26	14,000	18,500	.005	ं . .च्. ज्. राज्य
28		17,000 15,000 12,500 10,000	58 122 303 1394	23 17 7 10	25.2 16.0 6.4 5.6	0.07 .0031	15,300	10,500	20	13,300	15,200	0.0070	
80		15,000 13,000 11,500	74 187 719	58 10	30.7 25.2 17.6	.126 .044 .0053	14,000	11,000	33	11,800	13,900	.044	

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TABLE II. - Continued

Alloy	Alloy modification (percent)	Stress (psi)	Rupture time (hr)	Elongation in 1 in. (percent)	Reduction of area (percent)	Minimum creep rate (percent/hr)	. (	strength psi)	Estimated 100-hr rupture elongation (percent in	Stress (psi creep ra 0.01 percent/hr	tes of -	Minimum creep rate at 13,000 pai (percent/hr)
51	10 Cr	17,000 16,000 15,000 13,500	36 77 86 229	26 20 30 22 27	26 19.0 29.5 24.6	0.109 .109 .0305	15,000	410,300	1 in-) 30	11,200	15,300	0.030
52	30 Cr	12,000 18,000 16,000 14,000	318 18 79 175 363	23 42 18	27-5 61-6 55-8 50-5 32-7	.021  .047 .021 .0083	17,500	q15'000	30	14,500	20,000	.0045
23	0 H1	17,000 16,000 15,000 13,500 12,000 10,500 9,000	25 23 81 81 272 286 1007	41 32 25 23 17 25 15	39.0 39.4 33.5 32.3 21.8 24.6	0.11 .11 .0245 .019	13,200	9,400	51	10,300	13,300	0.039
25	10 Hī	20,000 18,000 15,500 15,000 13,500	51 128 516 493 791	36 32 30 32 32	43.8 44.5 42.6 37.2 41.8	.078 .007 .011	18,500	13,100	33	15,100	, 18,300	.0015
26	30 <b>K</b> 1	18,000 16,000 15,000 12,500 11,500	38 90 102 594 428	19 13 13 10 7	18.9 13.8 13.0 8.6 7-1	.084 .052 .0063	15,800	11,000	13	13,000	16,100	•010
29	0 Co	18,000 15,000 14,000 12,500 10,000	60 110 181 330 618	14 19 13 8	27.5 25.9 12.4 9.3	0.0249 .015 .0039	15,890	9,200	19	13,500	17,000	0.0067
30	10 Ca	19,500 18,000 15,000 13,500	49 78. 262 446	14 29 22 16	47.9 43.3 34.2 28.0	.107 .012 .0041	17,500	<sup>d</sup> 12,000	28	-14,700	18,700	.0029
31	32 Co	18,000 15,000 13,000 11,000 10,000	67 153 409 562 1160	14 15 13 12 10	18.3 14.4 13.0 11 8	.13 .040 .015 .0070	16,500	10,200	15	11,800	17,100	.0175
32	о но	17,000 15,000 12,500 11,000	67 122 539 944	50 43 27 32	42.1 49.1 30.0 30.1	0.096	15,600	11,000	45	<sup>4</sup> 11,800	14,400	0.030
33	1 <b>K</b> o	17,000 15,000 13,000 11,500	50 127 272 730	23 19 27 10	23.2 21.1 30.0 14.4	.081 .024 .0023	15,500	11,000	20	12,300	15,000	.018
34	8 Wo	17,000 16,000 14,100	74 105 364	28 25 27	33.4 24.8 26.2	.161 .135 .023	16,400	d12,500	25	13,100	16,000	.0090
35	5 Ho	22,000 18,000 16,000 13,000	10 92 156 992	26 20 17 10	30.1 24.8 25.9 12.4	.045 .021 .0015	17,300	12,900	20	15,200	18,700	.0015
36	7 Mo	18,000 15,000 13,000 10,500	76 182 397 1279	54 34 33 11	50.4 44.5 37.2 28.8	.085 .026 .0094	16,700	11,000	45	13,000	18,500	.0094
37	Ο₩	17,000 15,000 13,500 11,500	54 134 292 524	50 32 36 33	47.3 41.8 40.3 36.5	0.099 .035 .0160	15,400	10,200	No.	10,500	15,000	0.0360
38	1 ₩	18,000 16,500 15,000 13,000 11,500	40 62 132 235 434	30 22 27 25 20	29.5 27.3 30.0 25.2 21.1	.186 .077 .034 .0170	15,100	49,800	25	10,400	16,000	.034

dEstimated.

TABLE II. - Continued

	, Minimum creep rate at 13,000 psi		Stress (psi) creep rat	Estimated 100-hr rupture elongation	strength 1)	Rupture (p	Minimum creep rate	of area	Elongation in 1 in	time	Stress (psi)	ation	Allo; odific	οу
	(percent/hr)	0.1 percent/hr	0.01 percent/hr	(percent in 1 in )	1000 hr	'100 hr	(percent/hr)	(percent)	(percent)	(hr)	(2/	ent)	(perc	
-	0.0028	20,000	15,100	. 36	13,000	18,800	0.045 .015 .010	52.6 50.4 39.0 38	44 29  33 28	144 166 1279 397 727	21,000 18,000 16,000 15,500 13,500	7	51	
	'.0027	18,000	14,600	72 <b>1</b> 44	d12,100	17,100	.096 .040 .031 .003	56.5 47.9 54.3 61.6 58.5	50 43 51 41	26 39 144 168 209 (b)	21,000 20,000 18,000 16,500 16,500 13,500		7 H	
	0.046	14,000	11,200	.6	48,400	12,700	0.066 .019 .0036	6.4 4.8 4.7 2.4	7 7 5	40 70 148 389	15,000 13,500 12,000 10,000	Γ	0 02	
,	•0092	16,000	13,100	. 45	11,000	16,000	.079	53.8 61.4 58.9 48	47 43 48 29	37 125 312 634	18,000 15,500 14,000 12,000		2 Ct	
	.021	14,500	12,000	- 50	11,300	15,100	149 .021 .018	76.4 73.2 71.0 72.0	74 51 53 48	42 110 526 557	17,000 15,000 13,000 12,000	. · . · . · . · . · . · . · . · . · . ·	4 Ct	
	.026	14,500	12,000	145	10,800	16,000	.165 .155 .0075	54.9 66.2 61.4 49.7	48 39 56 38	26 91 156 592	20,000 17,000 15,000 12,000		6 Ct	
	0.010	15,600	13,000 -	143	11,800	16,700	0.186 .070 .01	61.0 59.8 52.6 53.6	45 43 37 36	59 91 206 545	18,000 17,000 15,000 13,000		0.004	
	.0050	17,300	13,900	27	12,400	17,600	.068 .0194 .0076	27.3 34.0 33.5 16.0	28 27 29 16	65 12 <sup>1</sup> 4 310 533	19,000 17,000 15,000 13,500		.08 п	
	.0080	17,000	d <sub>13</sub> ,300	38	d12,400	17,600	16e .057 .034	37.8 34.6 45.1 37.8	37 38 35 31	46 100 170 276	20,000 18,000 16,000 15,000	.	.18 א	
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•	₫0.80	10,000	7,700	.8	4,500	9,100	0.065 .042 .0115 .00025 .0002	5.5 5.6 3.2 7 1.6	7 10 6 4	64 135 166 390 711	10,000 8,500 8,000 6,000 5,000	o	0 0	
	.083	13,100	9,800	7 · .	ª6,800	11,300	.083 .038 .0315 .0125 .0028	6.4 4.8 5.6 4.0 2.4	9 6 7 3	49 95 99 144 385	13,000 12,000 11,500 10,000 8,500		2 0	
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	.20	11,600	8,000	6	5,100	9,500	-037 :0085 .002	6.4 4.0 .8 .8	6 7 2	42 83 152 547	12,000 10,000 8,000 6,000	0	0 2	
	.092	13,100 .	9,800	1,	6,700	11,000	.036 .012 .0038 .0016	4.8 4.8 1.6 1.6	5 8 4	66 178 328 506 1179	12,000 10,000 8,500 8,000 6,500		0 4	

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TARTE II - Continued

Alloy	mod	Alloy	tion	Stress	time	Elongation in 1 in.	Reduction of area	Minimum creep rate		strength	Estimated 100-hr rupture elongation		si) to cause	Minimum creep rate at
	'	perce	nt)	(psi)	(hr)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent/hr)	100 hr	1000 hr	(percent in 1 in.)	0.01 percent/hr	0.1 percent/hr	13,000 psi (percent/hr)
55	<u>2</u>	2	Co	1.	54 152 276 347 624	6 4 3	3.2 2.4 2.4 1.6 1	0.05 .0075 .0035 .0018	12,700	6,800	5	12,000	15,500	0.021
56	¥	2	٥	18,000 15,000 12,000 10,000	54 131 422 673	12 6 4 2	11.0 5.6 3.2 1.6	.161 .022 .0025	16,000	9,500	8	13,800	17,500	.0055
57	2		٥	15,000 13,500 12,000 11,000 9,000	69 117 304 422 880	5 8 5 4 10	4.8 2.4 1.6 1.6	.045 .018 .005 .0025	14,100	8,700	7	12,800	16,600	.011
58	4	4	0	20,000 18,000 15,000 13,000	30 89 240 551	10 9 7 4	7.9 7.9 4.0 2.4	.063 .0114 .0019	17,400	11,800	9	15,000	18,400	.0019
59	2	2	1 1	18,000 15,000 13,000 10,500	5½ 148 369 1162	61 37 40 27	55.3 46.8 44.5 31.5	.091 .032	16,100	10,800	50	411,200	15,200	.032
60	4	2		18,000 17,000 15,000 14,000 13,000	51 105 280 540 558	48 58 39 38 30	66.7 65.8 55.3 48.8 48	.092 .02 .0033	17,000	12,500	<b>58</b>	14,900	17,000	.0010
61	2	4		19,000 18,000 16,000 14,000 12,000	55 75 223 364 531	33 42 59 39 21	57.3 57.0 55.8 50.0 34	.060	17,300	11,500	· 45	13,400	16,500	.0062
62	2	5	1	18,000 15,000 13,000	40 130 334	76 51 62	64.6 66.2 65.9	.113 .042	15,500	d11,000	60	₫10,700	14,600	.042
63	2	0		18,000 16,500 15,000 13,500 12,000	46 70 247 300 400	81 64 56 48 54	69.5 68.9 53.0 68.8 64.2	0.40 .066 .055	15,500	d10,900	60		14,400	₫0.044
64	2	٥		16,500 15,000 13,000 11,500	45 85 237 724	70 73 58 49	70.4 70.3 63.9 61.9	.194 .061 .0235	14,400	10,900	70 ,	10,200	13,800	.061
65	4	0		19,000 17,000 15,000 13,000 11,500	43 102 267 541 746	59 27 42 35 34	58 46.2 56.8 41.1 37-9	.087 .028 .011	16,'900	10,200	27	13,000	17,400	.010
66	4	0		20,000 18,000 14,000 12,000	23 12 135 432	84 65 43 32	68.5 65.5 65.0 63.3	.122	15,200	d10,600	50 .	11,300	13,800	.054
67	ł.	4		18,000 16,000 13,000 12,000	52 105 245 545	52 46 42 45	62.5 65.8 61.4 59.4	 -110 -030 -011	16,000	10,800	46	11,800	15,500	.024
77	٥	0	:	15,000 12,500 10,000	77 226 758	30 20 19	38.4 26.2 18.3	0.209 .037 .0078	14,300	9,100	29	10,400	14,000	0.057
68	٥	0		14,500 13,000 11,500 10,000 8,500	42 82 170 365 910	46 31 32 21 8	45.8 33.5 36.5 27.3 13.1	.173 .08 .027	12,500	8,200	31	ª8,600	12,000	.173
69	٥	o		5,000 13,500 12,000 10,500	47 82 233 470	75 65 42 35	63.5 63.5 48.6 41.8	.070	13,500	đ9,100	<i>6</i> 0.	₫9,100	12,500	.125

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TABLE II. - Concluded

RUPTURE TEST CHARACTERISTICS AT 1500° F FOR MODIFIED ALLOYS

Alloy	modi		tion	Stress (psi)	time	Elongation in 1 in.	of area	Minimum creep rate		strength psi)	Estimated 100-hr rupture elongation	· Stress (psi creep rai		Minimum creep rate at
	(1	erce	nt)	(222)	(hr)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent/hr)	100 hr	1000 hr	(percent in l in.)	0.01 percent/hr	0.1 percent/hr	13,000 psi (percent/hr)
	Мо	Ħ	Съ					-						
70 ·	٠٥	2	2	15,000 14,000 13,000	69 244 440	25 28 15	34.8 31.3 24.6	0.05 .017	14,800	d <sub>12,100</sub>	26	12,400	15,000	0.017
71		4	5	18,000 17,000 16,000 15,000 13,500	44 72 95 252 400	47 34 25 42 32	48.9 47.3 37.9 42.9 40.3	.20 .057 .025	16,200	<sup>d</sup> 12,200	25	12,500	15,100	.014
72	0	2	4	17,000 17,000 15,000 13,000	41 32 89 200	76 46 68 46	70.6 61.9 55.8 57.0	.183	14,500	d9,800	65	d <sub>11,300</sub>	13,200	.079
<b>7</b> 3	ä	4	ħ.	18,000 16,500 15,000 13,500 12,000	3 <sup>1</sup> 4 22 97 268 9 <sup>1</sup> 5	55 69 54 51	65.4 61.0 65.0 59.4 41.0	.197 .063 .012	14,700	11,900	56	11,900	14,000	-035
82	2	4		18,000 16,000 14,000 12,500 11,500	42 99 225 590 455	69 67 53 71 63	71.4 73.0 73.1 73.1 56.8	0.153 .050 .021	16,000	11,500	67	11,500	15,300	0.024
83	4	2		18,000 16,500 15,000 13,000 9,500	37 66 161 219 2156	66 42 51 	70.6 72.1 68.9 70.0	.17 <sup>1</sup> 4 .095 .020 .0018	15,300	10,700	<b>ի</b> կ	11,500	15,300	024
84	4	<b>1</b>		18,000 17,000 15,000 13,500	64 112 358 579	43 50 52 40	58.3 57.6 63.8 57.3	.087 .014 .0056	17,300	12,600	<b>47</b>	14,400	19,000	.0043

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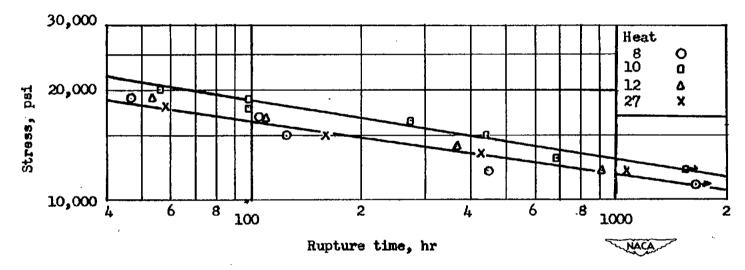
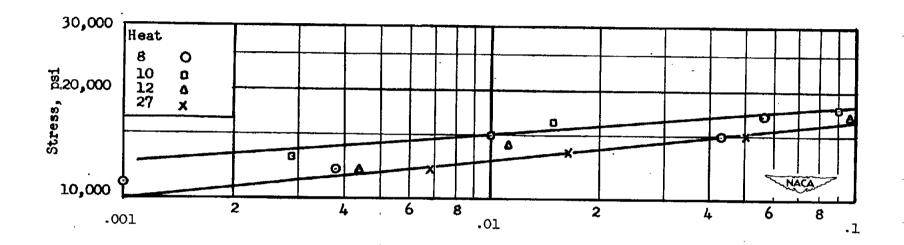


Figure 1.- Curves of stress against time for rupture at 1500° F for four heats of basic alloy. Treatment: 2200° F for 1 hour, water-quenched; 1400° F for 24 hours, air-cooled.



Minimum creep rate, percent/hr

Figure 2.- Curves of stress against minimum creep rate at 1500° F for four heats of basic alloy. Treatment: 2200° F for 1 hour, waterquenched; 1400° F for 24 hours, air-cooled.

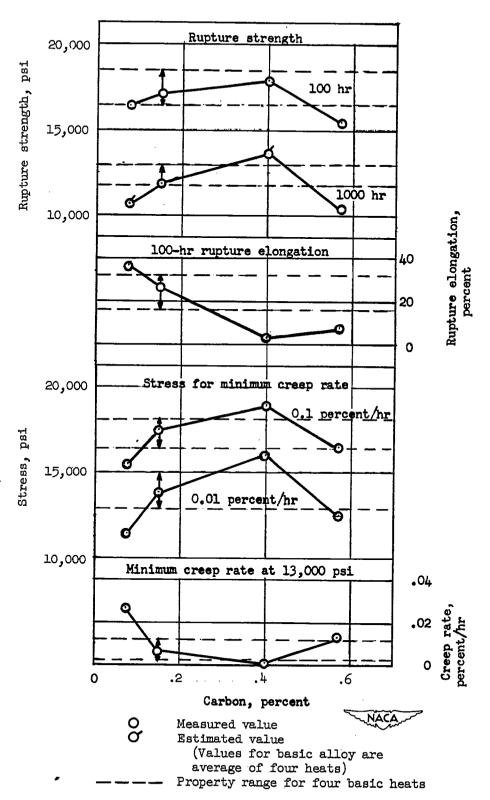


Figure 3.- Curves of rupture test data at 1500° F against carbon content of basic alloy.

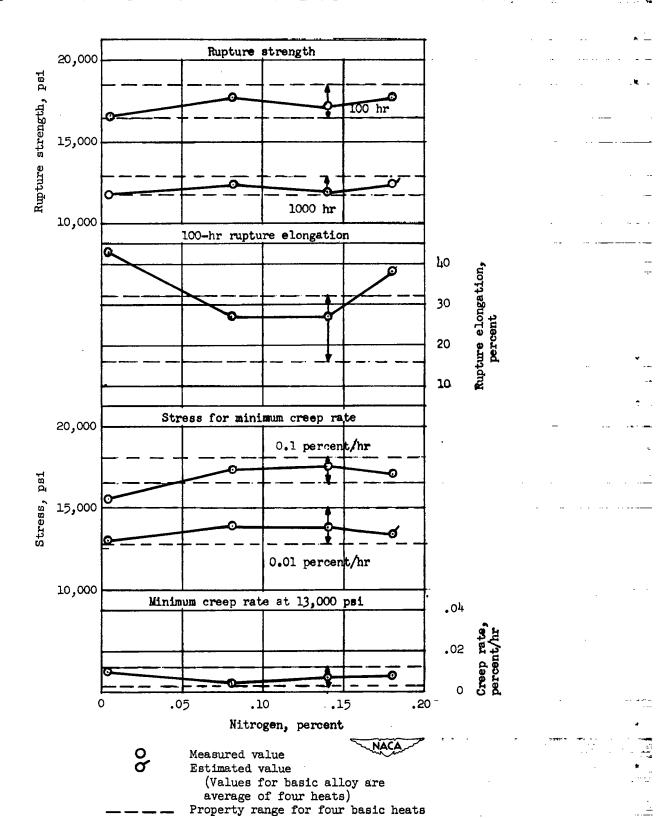


Figure 4.- Curves of rupture test-data at 1500° F against-nitrogen content of basic alloy.

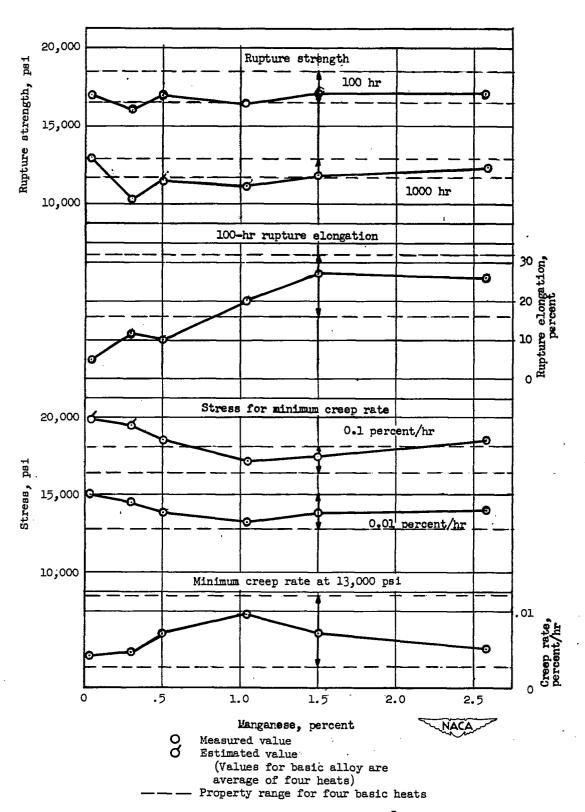


Figure 5.- Curves of rupture test data at 1500° F against manganese content of basic alloy.

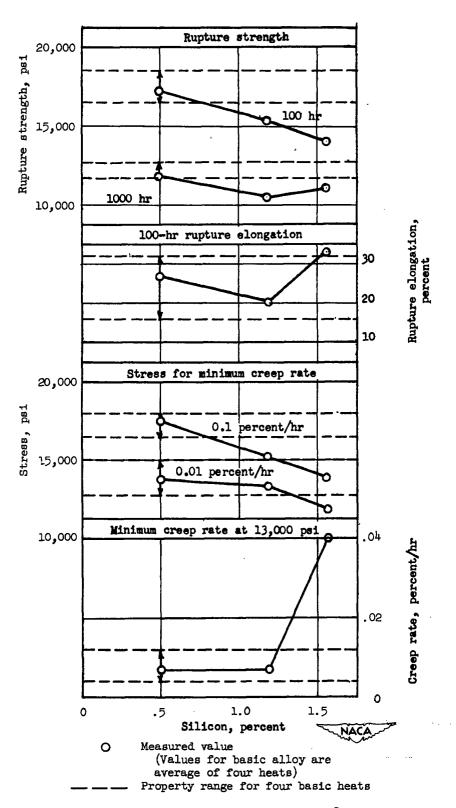


Figure 6.- Curves of rupture test data at 1500° F against silicon content of basic alloy.

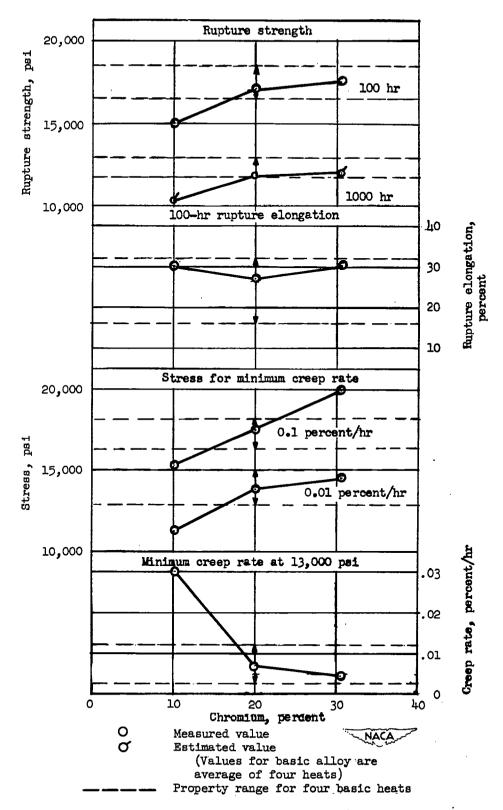


Figure 7.- Curves of rupture test data at 1500° F against chromium content of basic alloy.

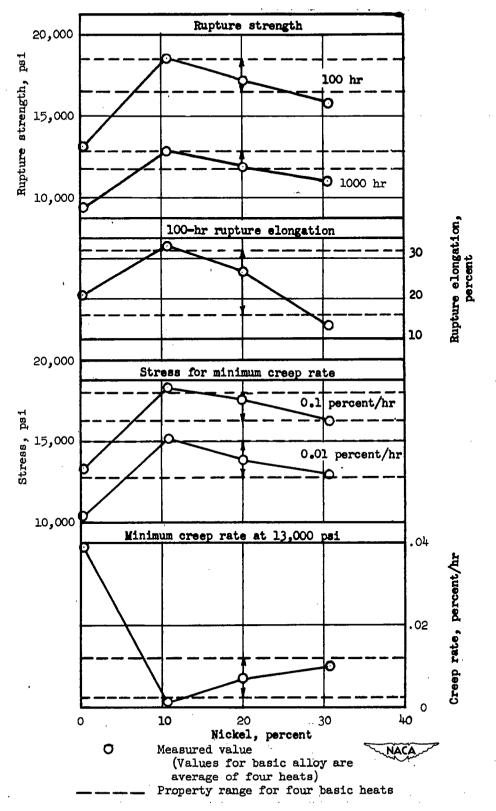


Figure 8.- Curves of rupture test data at 1500° F against nickel content of basic alloy.

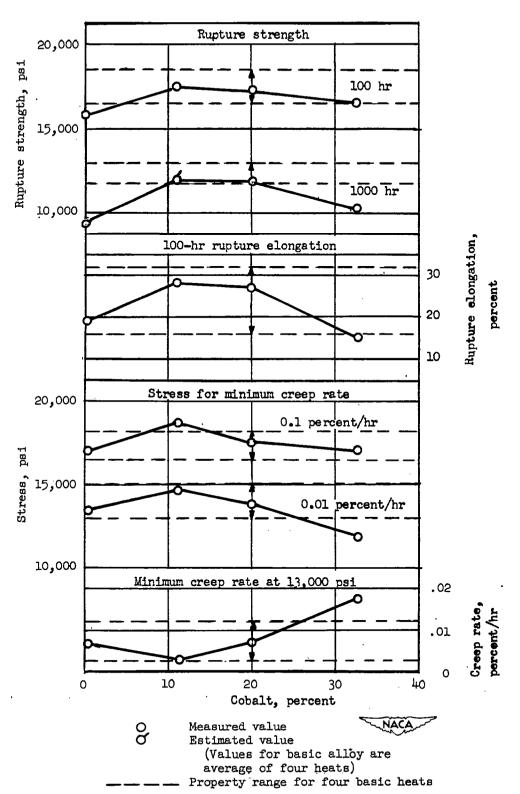


Figure 9.- Curves of rupture test data at 1500° F against cobalt content of basic alloy.

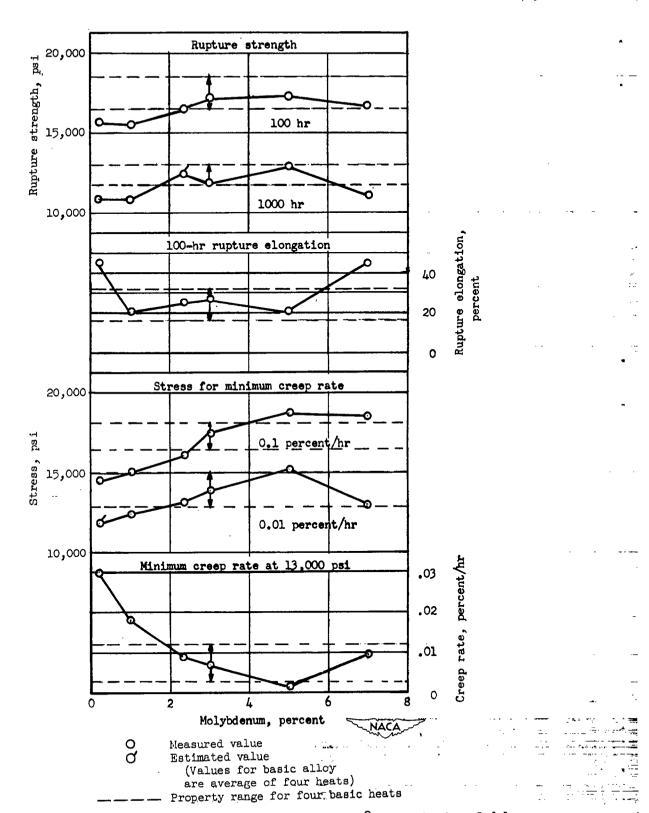


Figure 10.- Curves of rupture test data at 1500° F against molybdenum content of basic alloy.

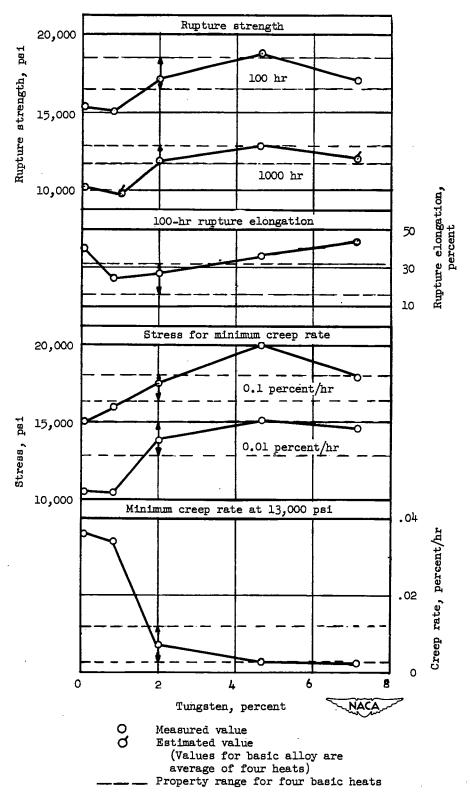


Figure 11.- Curves of rupture test data at 1500° F against tungsten content of basic alloy.

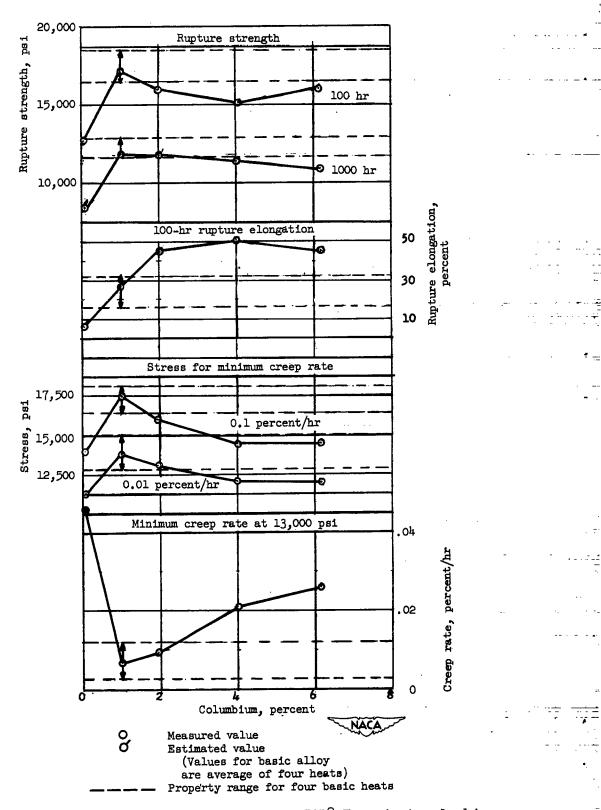


Figure 12.- Curves of rupture test data at  $1500^{\circ}$  F against columbium content of basic alloy.

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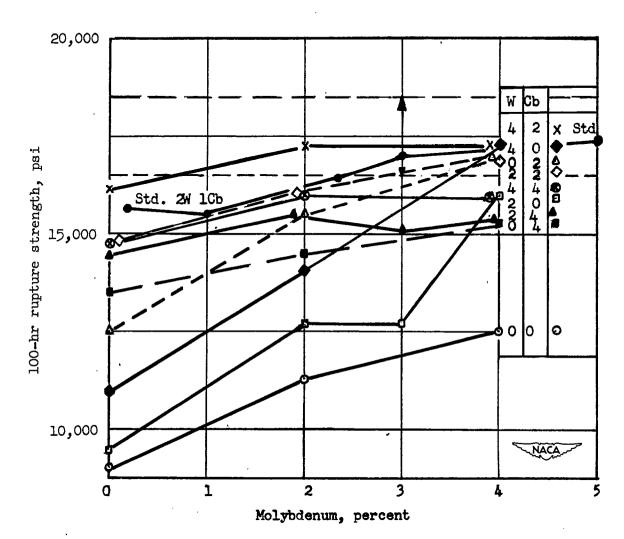


Figure 13.- Summary of influence of molybdenum on 100-hour rupture strength at 1500° F of 10 tungsten-columbium modifications. Horizontal dashed lines indicate property range for four basic heats.

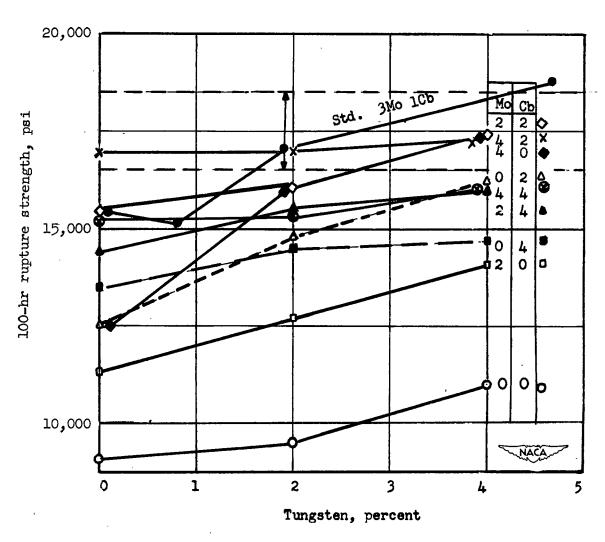


Figure 14.- Summary of influence of tungsten on 100-hour rupture strength at 1500° F of 10 molybdenum-columbium modifications. Horizontal dashed lines indicate property range for four basic heats.

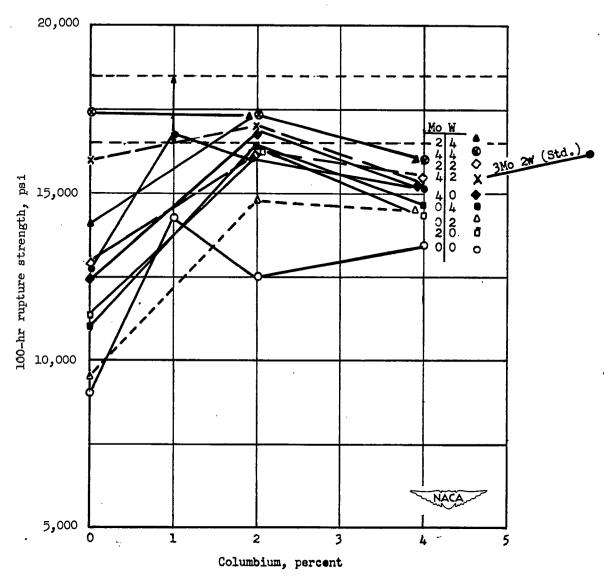


Figure 15.- Summary of influence of columbium on 100-hour rupture strength at 1500° F of 10 molybdenum-tungsten modifications. Horizontal dashed lines indicate property range for four basic heats.

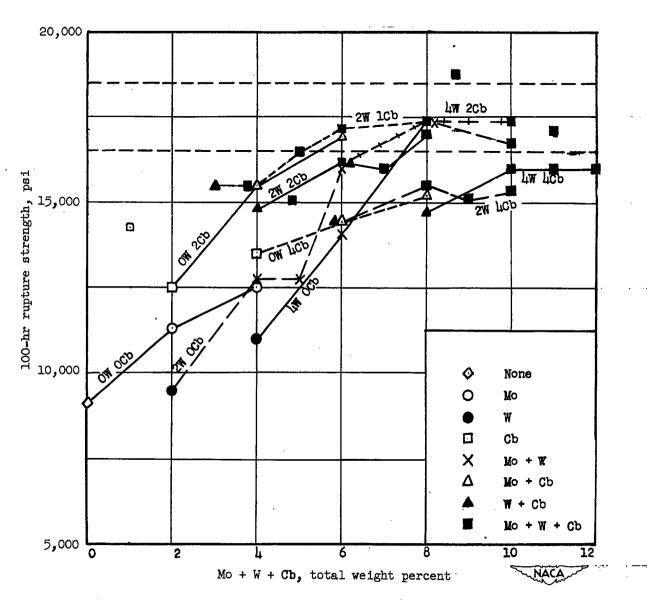


Figure 16.- Influence of molybdenum additions (0, 2, and 4 percent) on a total weight percent basis of molybdenum, tungsten, and columbium on 100-hour rupture strength at 1500° F of modified alloys. Horizontal dashed lines indicate property range for four basic heats.

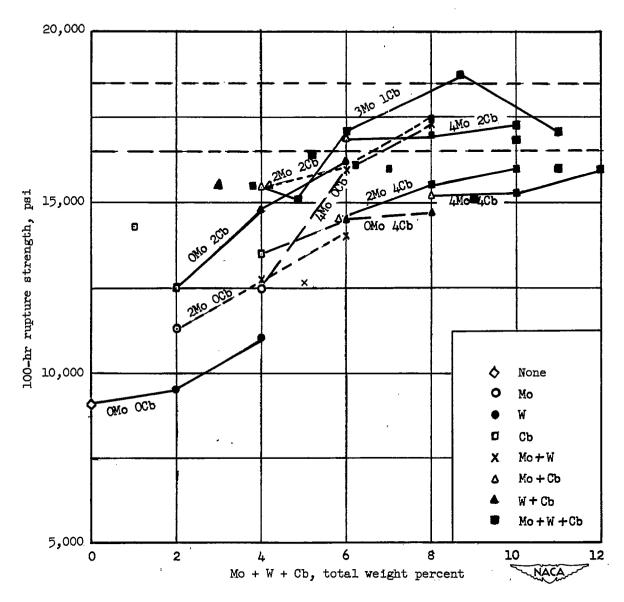


Figure 17.- Influence of tungsten additions (0, 2, and 4 percent) on a total weight percent basis of molybdenum, tungsten, and columbium on 100-hour rupture strength at 1500° F of modified alloys. Horizontal dashed lines indicate property range for four basic heats.

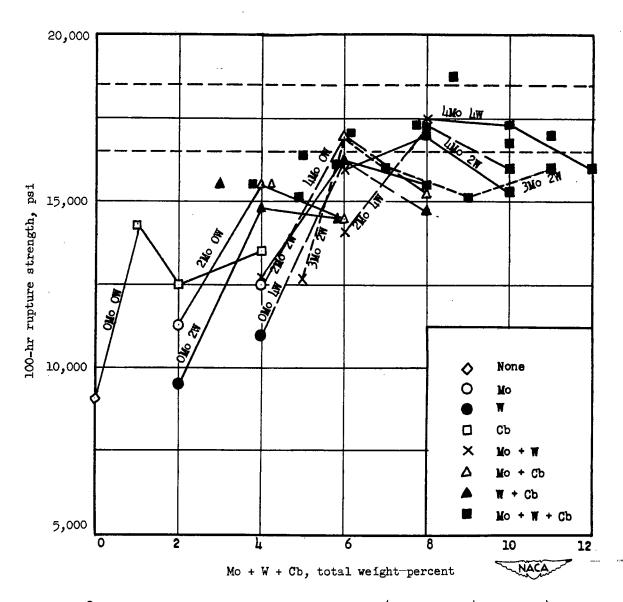


Figure 18.- Influence of columbium additions (0, 2, and 4-percent) on a total weight percent basis of molybdenum, tungsten, and columbium on 100-hour rupture strength at 1500° F of modified alloys. Horizontal dashed lines indicate property range for four basic heats.

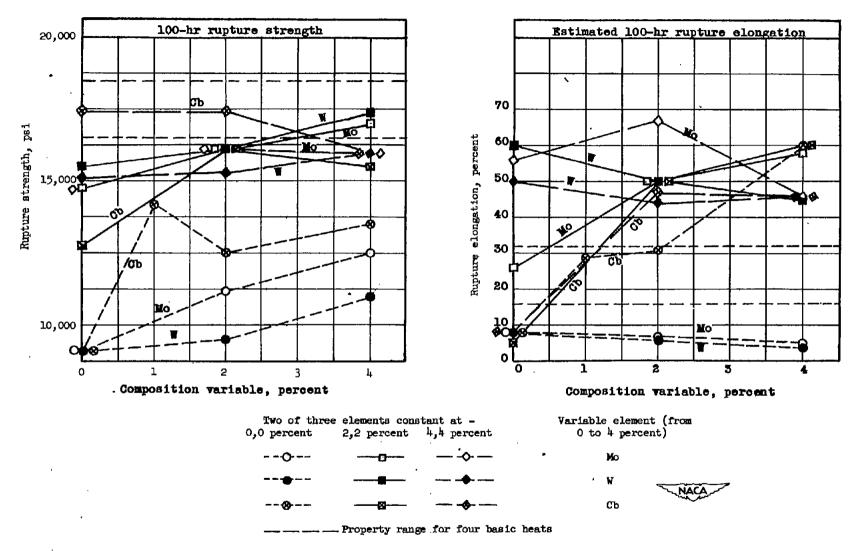
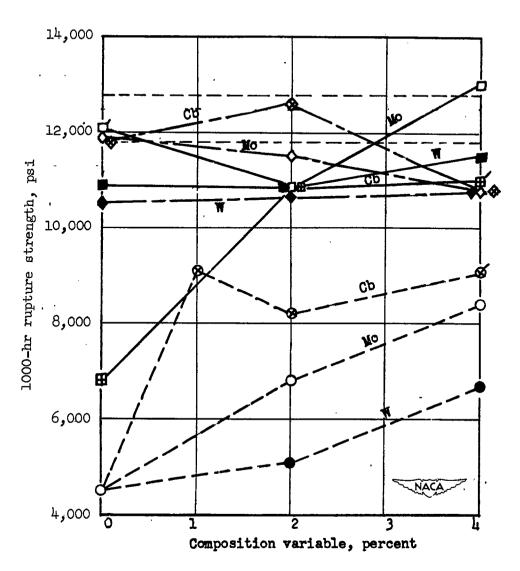


Figure 19.- Comparative influences of molybdenum, tungsten, and columbium on 100-hour rupture properties at 1500°F of modified alloys.



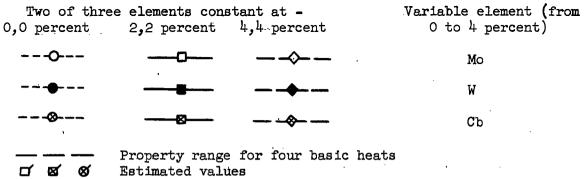


Figure 20.- Comparative influences of molybdenum, tungsten, and columbium on 1000-hour rupture strength at  $1500^{\circ}$  F of modified alloys.

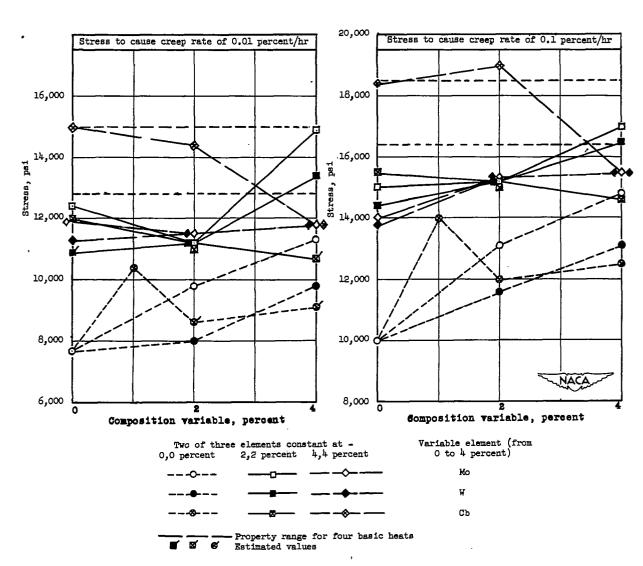


Figure 21.- Comparative influences of molybdenum, tungsten, and columbium on 0.01- and 0.1-percent-per-hour creep strengths at 1500° F of modified alloys.

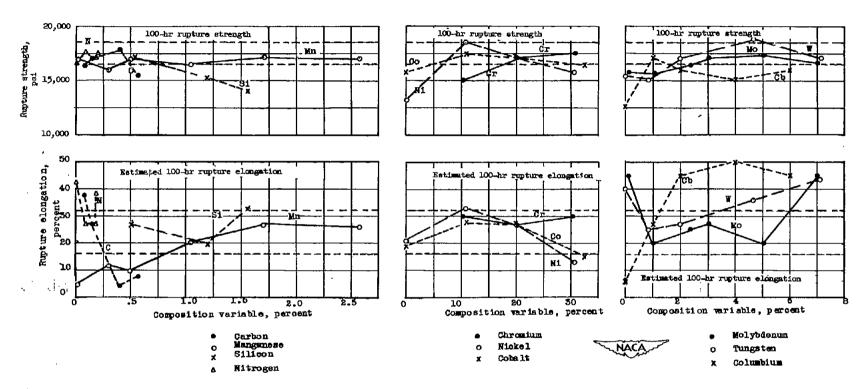


Figure 22.- Summary of influence of variation of individual alloying elements in basic alloy on 100-hour rupture strengths and elongations at 1500° F. Horizontal dashed lines indicate property ranges for four basic heats.

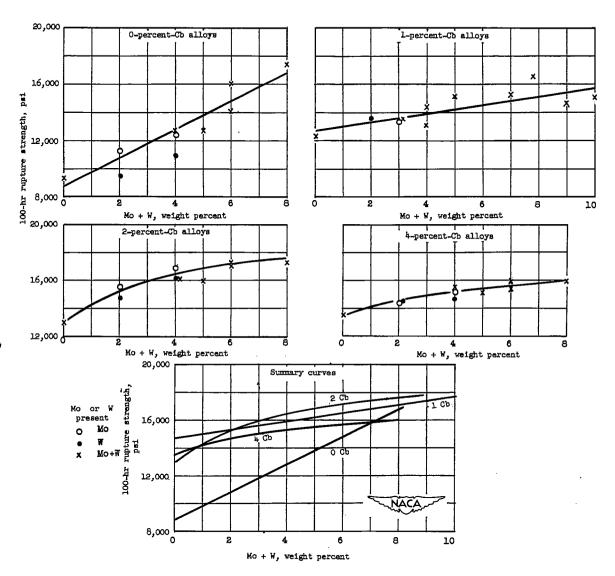


Figure 23.- Influence of molybdenum and tungsten additions on a total weight percent basis on 100-hour rupture strength at 1500° F of columbium modifications.

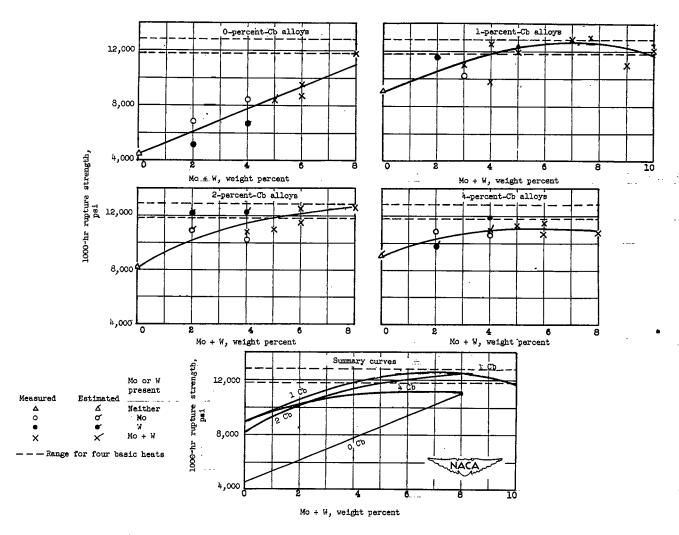
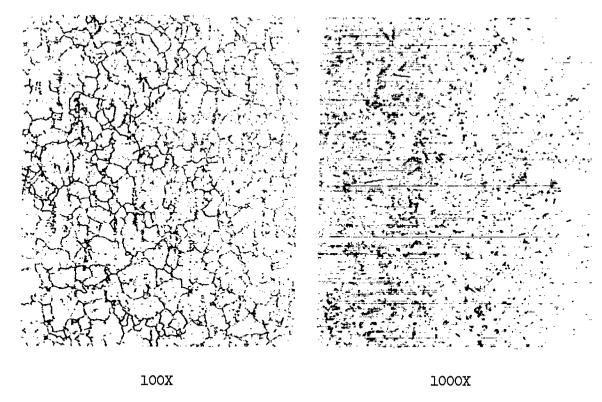
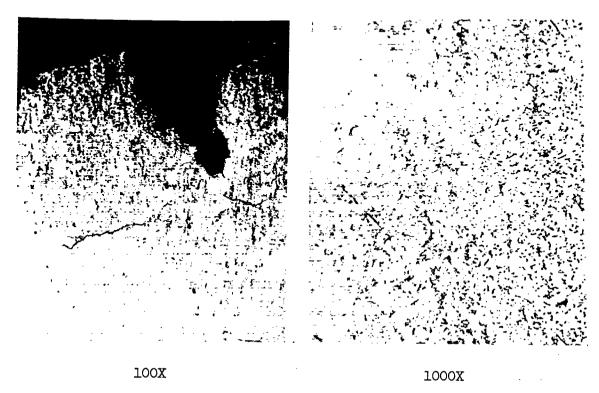


Figure 24.- Influence of molybdenum and tungsten additions on a total weight percent basis on 1000-hour rupture strength at 1500° F of columbium modifications.

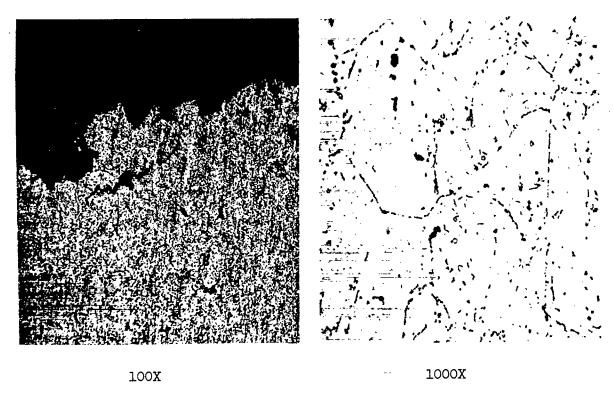


(a) Original: Solution-treated at 2200° F for 1 hour and water-quenched; aged at 1400° F for 24 hours and air-cooled.

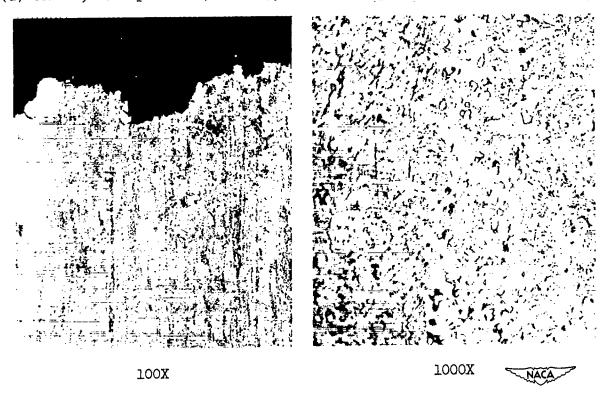


(b) Rupture specimen: 446 hours for rupture under 12,000 psi at 1500° F.

Figure 25.- Microstructures of basic alloy (heat 8).

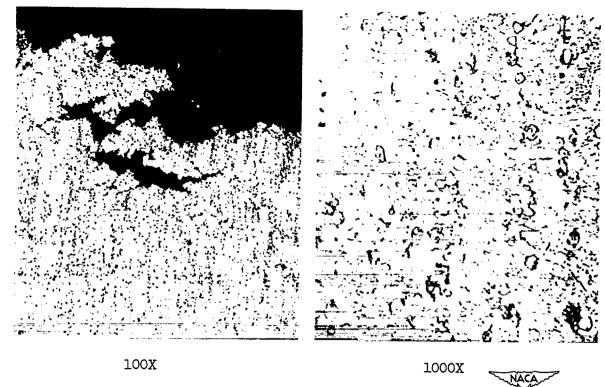


(a) Carbon, 0.08 percent (heat 13); 328 hours for rupture under 13,000 psi.



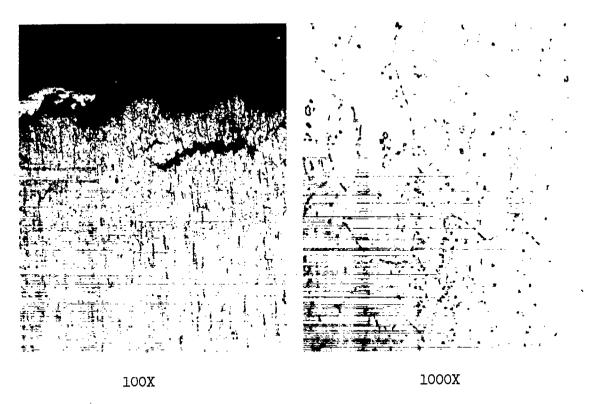
(b) Carbon, 0.40 percent (heat 15); 407 hours for rupture under 15,000 psi.

Figure 26.- Microstructures of carbon modifications of basic alloy after rupture testing at 1500° F.

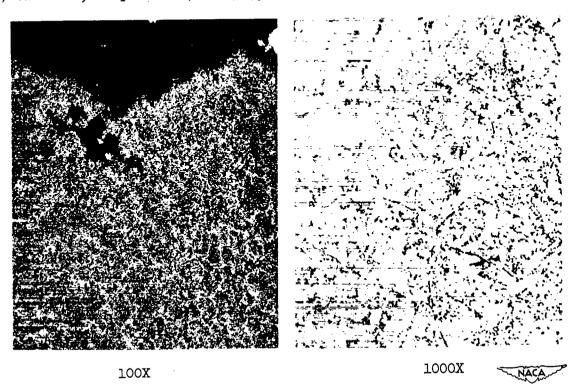


(c) Carbon, 0.60 percent (heat 16); 494 hours for rupture under 12,000 psi.

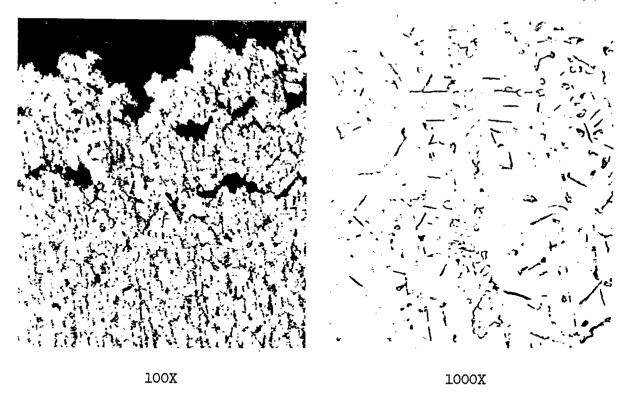
Figure 26.- Concluded.



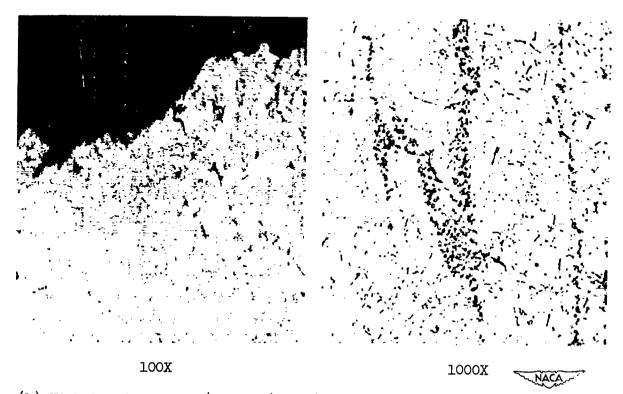
(a) Chromium, 10 percent (heat 51); 318 hours for rupture under 12,000 psi.



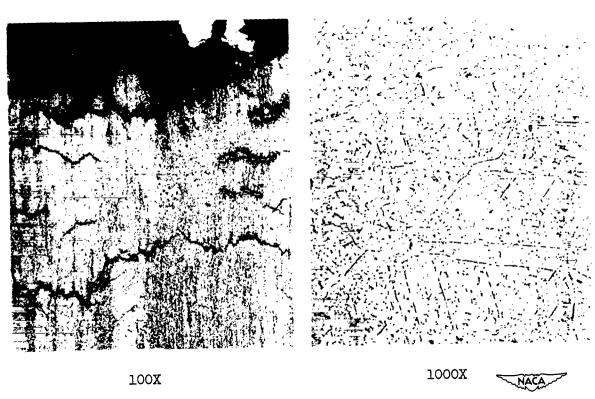
(b) Chromium, 30 percent (heat 52); 363 hours for rupture under 14,000 psi. Figure 27.- Microstructures of chromium modifications of basic alloy after rupture testing at 1500° F.



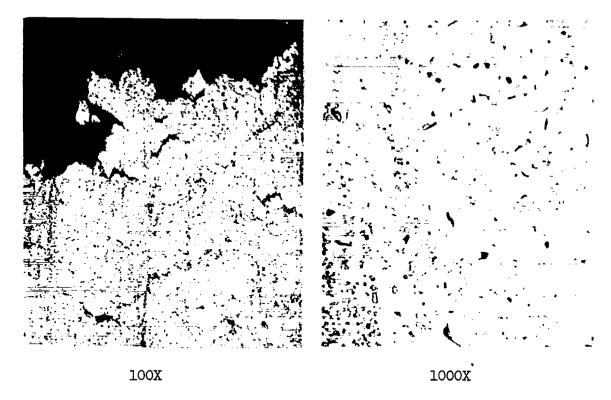
(a) Nickel, O percent (heat 23); 286 hours for rupture under 10,500 psi.



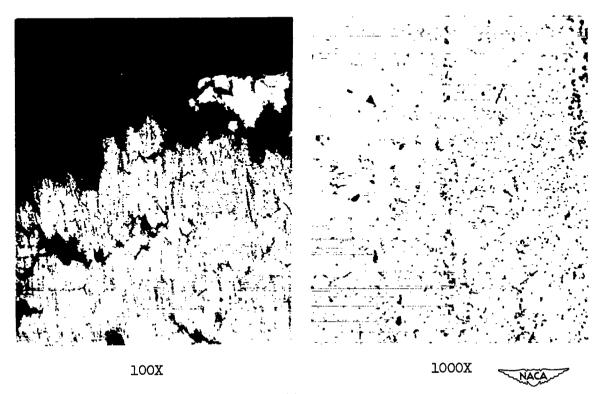
(b) Nickel, 10 percent (heat 25); 516 hours for rupture under 15,500 psi. Figure 28.- Microstructures of nickel modifications of basic alloy after rupture testing at 1500° F.



(c) Nickel, 30 percent (heat 26); 594 hours for rupture under 12,500 psi. Figure 28.- Concluded.

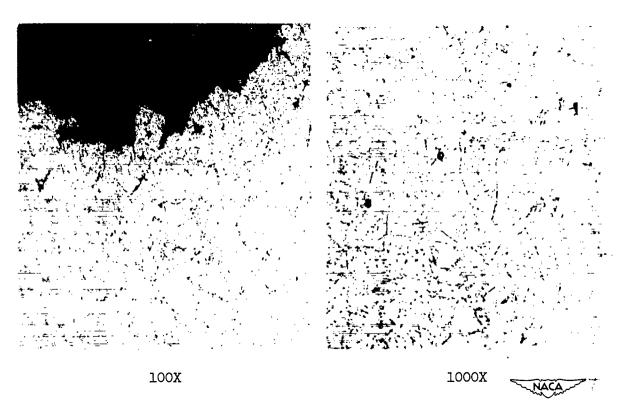


(a) Cobalt, O percent (heat 29); 330 hours for rupture under 12,500 psi.



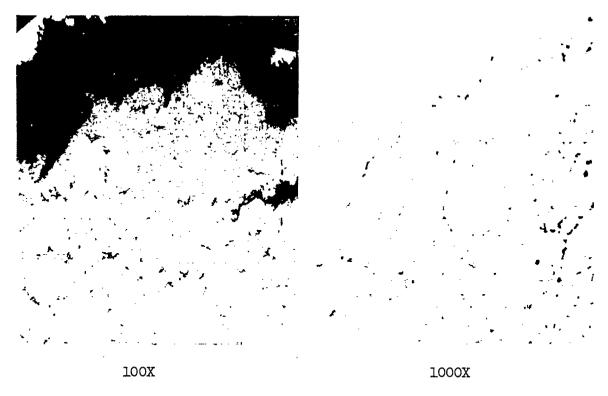
(b) Cobalt, 10 percent (heat 30); 446 hours for rupture under 13,500 psi.

Figure 29.- Microstructures of cobalt modifications of basic alloy after rupture testing at 1500° F.

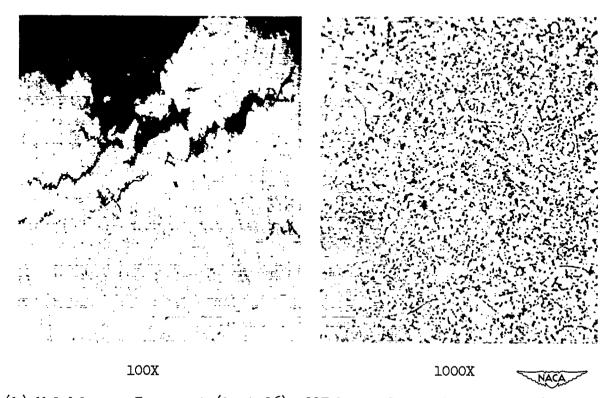


(c) Cobalt, 32 percent (heat 31); 409 hours for rupture under 13,000 psi.

Figure 29.- Concluded.

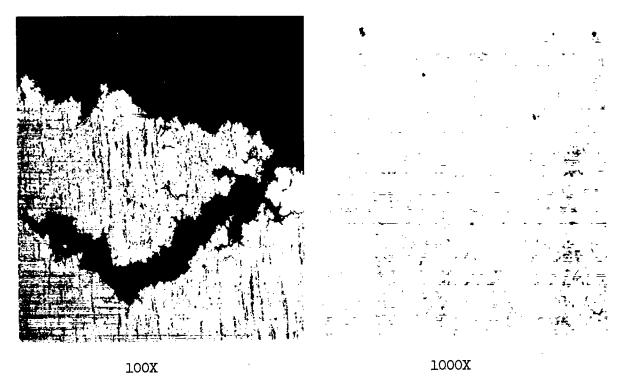


(a) Molybdenum, O percent (heat 32); 539 hours for rupture under 12,500 psi.

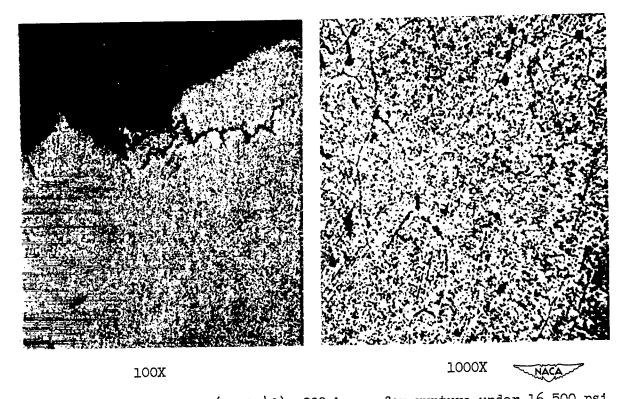


(b) Molybdenum, 7 percent (heat 36); 397 hours for rupture under 13,000 psi.

Figure 30.- Microstructures of molybdenum modifications of basic alloy after rupture testing at  $1500^{\circ}$  F.



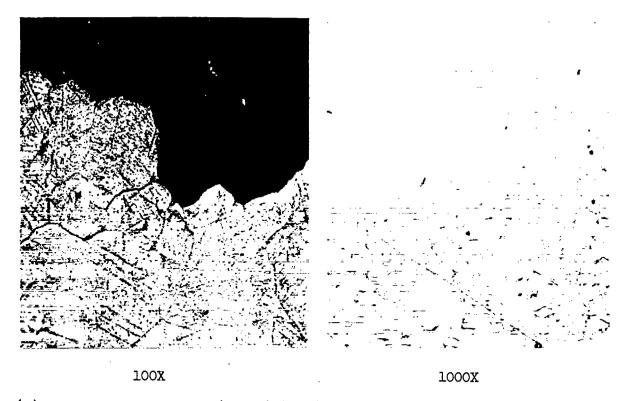
(a) Tungsten, O percent (heat 37); 292 hours for rupture under 13,500 psi.



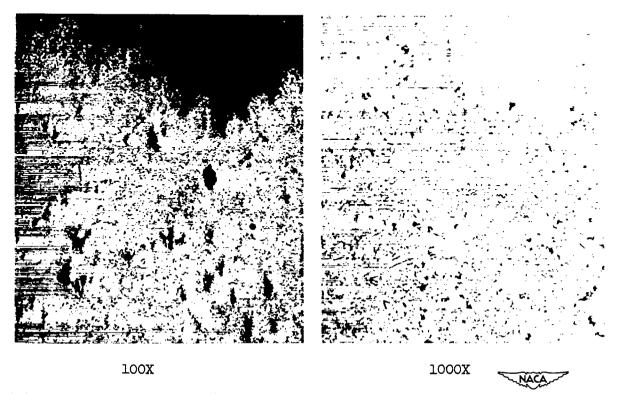
(b) Tungsten, 7 percent (heat 40); 209 hours for rupture under 16,500 psi. Figure 31.- Microstructures of tungsten modifications of basic alloy after rupture testing at 1500° F.

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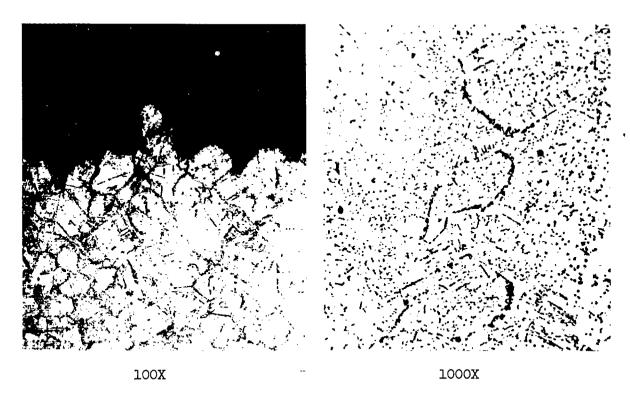


(a) Columbium, O percent (heat 47); 389 hours for rupture under 10,000 psi.

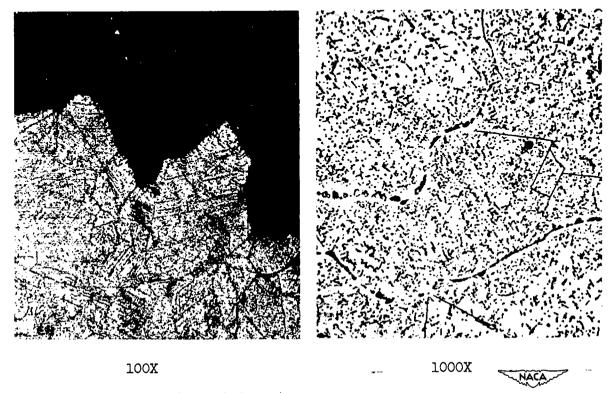


(b) Columbium, 6 percent (heat 50); 592 hours for rupture under 12,000 psi.

Figure 32.- Microstructures of columbium modifications of basic alloy after rupture testing at  $1500^{\circ}$  F.

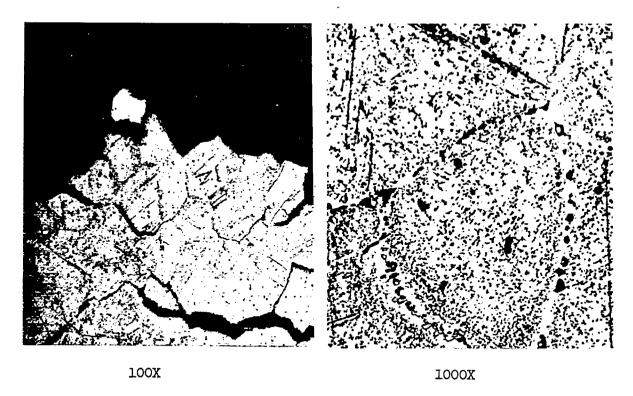


(a) 2Mo-OW-OCb (heat 45); 385 hours for rupture under 8500 psi.

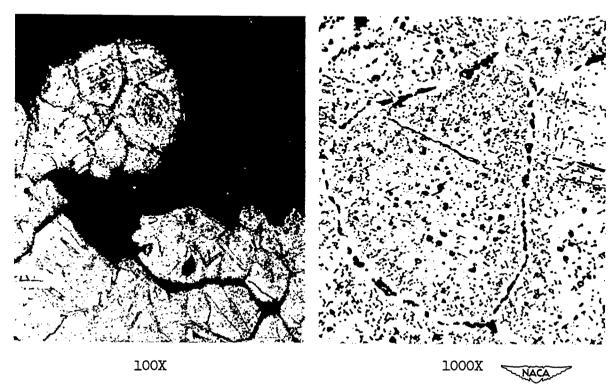


(b) 4Mo-OW-OCb (heat 46); 334 hours for rupture under 10,000 psi.

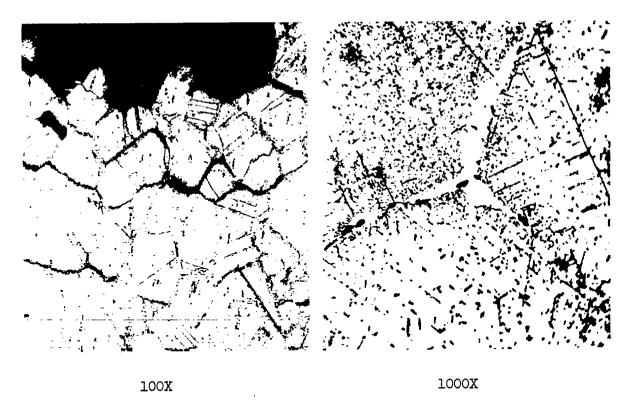
Figure 33.- Microstructures of molybdenum or tungsten alloys after rupture testing at  $1500^{\circ}$  F.



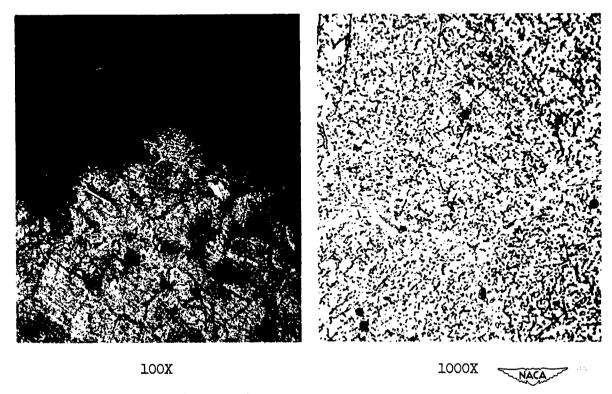
(c) OMo-2W-OCb (heat 53); 547 hours for rupture under 6000 psi.



(d) OMo-4W-OCb (heat 54); 1179 hours for rupture under 6500 psi. Figure 33.- Concluded.

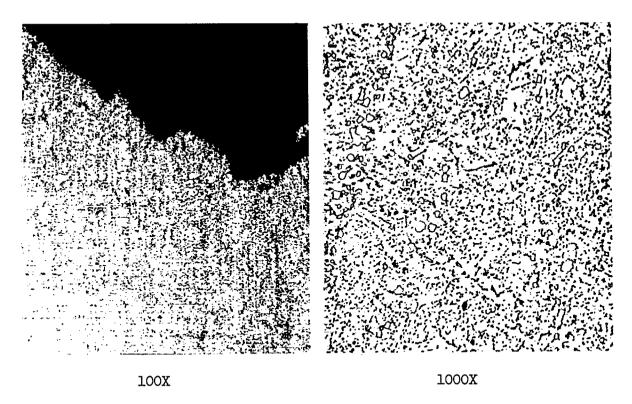


(a) OMo-OW-OCb (heat 43); 390 hours for rupture under 6000 psi.

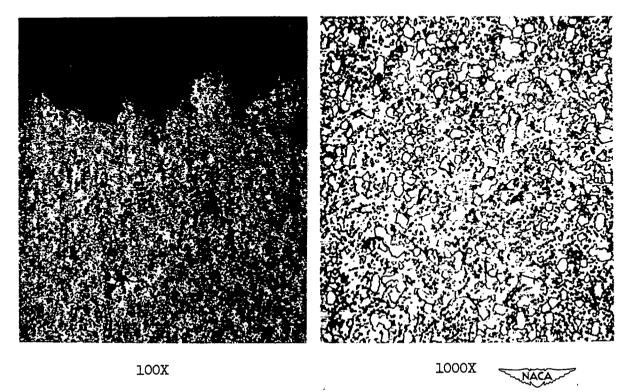


(b) 4Mo-4W-OCb (heat 58); 551 hours for rupture under 13,000 psi.

Figure 34.- Influence of molybdenum plus tungsten plus columbium content on microstructure after rupture testing at 1500° F.



(c) 4Mo-4W-2Cb (heat 84); 579 hours for rupture under 13,500 psi.



(d) 4Mo-4W-4Cb (heat 67); 545 hours for rupture under 12,000 psi. Figure 34.- Concluded.

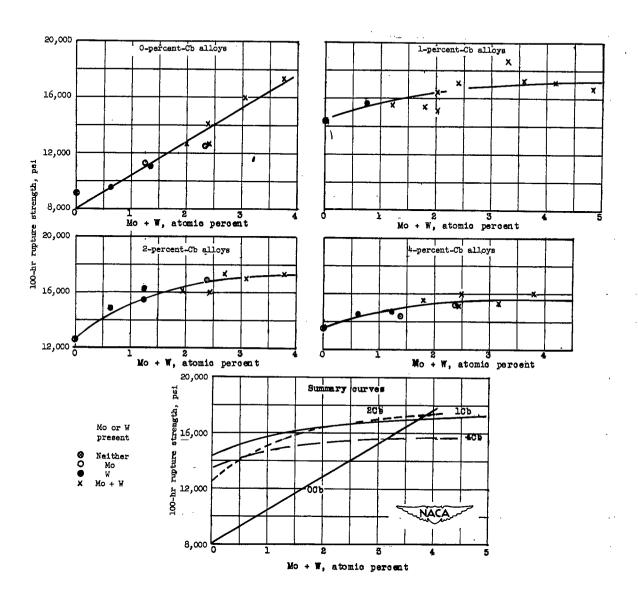


Figure 35.- Influence of molybdenum and tungsten additions on a total atomic percent basis on 100-hour rupture strength at 1500° F of columbium modifications.

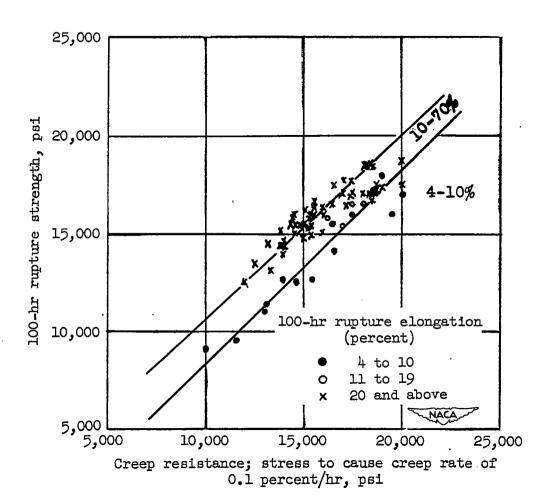


Figure 36.- Influence of creep resistance and 100-hour rupture elongation on the 100-hour rupture strength at  $1500^{\circ}$  F of modified alloys.